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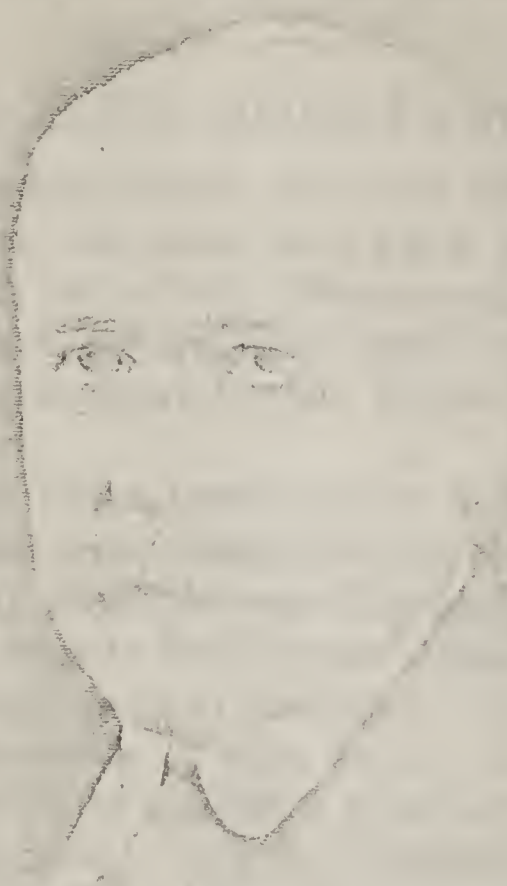
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HON. ALTON BROOKS PARKER

Hon. Alton Brooks Parker, who was Ulster county's most distinguished citizen, was born on a farm near Cortland, New York, May 14, 1852, son of John Brooks and Harriet F. (Stratton) Parker, whose ancestors were residents of Massachusetts. John B. Parker's great-grandfather served three years in the Revolutionary war.

Alton B. Parker spent twelve years of his boyhood on his father's farm, where the foundation for his rugged physical structure and manly physique was laid and developed. At the age of four he was sent to the district school, and as soon as he was old enough, was required to help in the fields and in the lighter work that boys can do on a farm. At the age of twelve he became a student in the Cortland Academy. He taught school in Virgil, Cortland county, and in Binghamton, New York, to get the necessary money to defray his expenses in the academy and subsequently in the Cortland Normal School. He later went to the town of Rochester in Ulster county to teach and from there entered the law office of Schoonmaker & Hardenbergh at Kingston, New York. In 1871 and 1872 he attended the Albany Law School. After graduation he was employed in the office of Augustus Schoonmaker, Senator Hardenbergh having died, as a clerk on a small salary, until he formed a partnership with William S. Kenyon, Jr., under the firm name of Parker & Kenyon.

Being now a full-fledged lawyer with considerable active practice in the local courts, young Parker took a lively interest in local politics, which at the time presented some alluring features to members of the democratic party, with which organization he had been allied from the first. He married Mary L.

Schoonmaker, daughter of Moses I. Schoonmaker, of Accord, town of Rochester, Ulster county, New York, in 1873. Mr. Schoonmaker was a prominent democratic politician, and it was through his influence that his promising son-in-law was launched in his political career. He was chosen clerk of the democratic board of supervisors of Ulster county that year at a salary of eight hundred dollars and served in that capacity until 1877, when at the age of twenty-five, he was elected surrogate of the county for six years at a salary of three thousand dollars annually, being the only democratic winner on his ticket. He was reelected in 1883 by a handsome majority. Two years later, having attracted the attention of David B. Hill, who was then governor of the state, young Parker was appointed chairman of the state democratic executive committee, a position which he filled with conspicuous ability to the satisfaction of his party leaders. Meanwhile he had served the Ulster county board of supervisors as counsel in a hard fought equalization suit against the city of Kingston, which he won.

At the death of Justice Theodoric R. Westbrook of the supreme court in October, 1885, Mr. Parker was appointed to the vacancy by Governor Hill. To this position he was elected for a full term in the fall of 1886 without opposition. Then on creation of the second division of the court of appeals in January, 1889, Judge Parker was selected as one of the judges, being the youngest member who ever sat in that court. This position he held until that branch of the court was abolished in 1892. He was then appointed to the general term of the first department by Governor Flower, and afterward succeeded to the appellate division in 1896 by the designation of Governor Black. The following year he was nominated by his party for chief judge of the court of appeals, to which he was elected by a plurality of sixty thousand votes. Judge Parker reached the high judicial position to which he had long aspired. He was urged to be a candidate for secretary of state in 1883 and for lieutenant-governor in 1885. President Cleveland wanted to appoint him assistant postmaster-general under Mr. Vilas in 1890, and the party nomination for governor was pressed upon him. The following year he was urged for the election to the United States

senate, but he preferred his law books and the bench, and induced Governor Hill to take the place himself. Again in 1902 the gubernatorial candidacy was offered him, but he declined as before. But it seemed decreed that Chief Judge Parker would not be permitted to round out the high judicial career which he had marked out for himself. Long before the opening of the national campaign in 1904, his name was prominently mentioned for the presidential candidacy of his party. His great victory in the state in 1897 had brought him into national prominence as an available candidate. He had kept aloof from the bitter conflicts that had resulted in the disrapture and defeat of his party in recent years, and he enjoyed the respect and confidence of the conservative voters of the country. He was a resident of the pivotal state from which the republican candidate had been selected. The party was hopelessly divided, and an obscure and untried man could not be thought of. While his views of national questions were unknown, if indeed he had ever stopped in his busy career to formulate them, perhaps that in itself made him all the more available at that critical juncture in the party history. Thus it was that among a large and influential class of the democratic leaders in this and other states, Judge Parker was considered the most available man for the party honor. He was accordingly nominated on the first ballot at St. Louis in July, 1904. Slim as his chances of success were regarded on all sides, in view of the great personal popularity of his opponent, and the insidious dissensions that existed in his own party in the north and west, it was a great honor to be named by one of the great parties of the nation as its national standard bearer. He was made to believe that his acceptance of the nomination was an imperative duty which he owed to his party in spite of any personal objections or inclinations he might have. He had been chosen to represent his party in nearly every convention since he entered political life, and had been showered with party honors and favor for years, and he could not well refuse to obey this call now. Thus it was that Chief Judge Parker consented to be led to the sacrifice, against the advice of many of his friends in both parties, and perhaps contrary to his own best judgment and inclination. He survived an overwhelming defeat with an un-

tarnished personal reputation and continued as one of the leading men of the country, not only achieving great success in the practice of law, but maintaining a leadership in many movements for the public good. An important incident connected with his nomination at St. Louis was the sending of his famous gold telegram and its reception by the convention. The democratic national platform which had been adopted contained no reference to the money question. Judge Parker, who was then at his summer home in Esopus, New York, being unwilling to go before the people in that way, sent the following telegram to William F. Sheehan at St. Louis: "I regard the gold standard as firmly and irrevocably established, and shall act accordingly if the action of the convention today shall be ratified by the people. As the platform is silent on the subject, my views should be made known to the convention, and if it is proved to be unsatisfactory to the majority I request you to decline the nomination for me at once, so that another may be nominated before adjournment." This dispatch was read by Governor Vardaman of Mississippi after much apparent hesitation on the part of the Parker managers. It was then about midnight of July 10th and the convention was thrown into great uproar. William J. Bryan took the platform amid an exciting ovation and said: "If the gold standard is a good thing, then why run away from it? Why not put it into your platform?" It was finally decided, however, that inasmuch as the platform contained no reference to the monetary standard, which the party leaders said was not regarded as a possible issue in the campaign, there was nothing to preclude Judge Parker's acceptance of the nomination. This was the substance of a dispatch sent him by the convention.

He had, of course, resigned his place upon the bench on accepting the presidential nomination, and after his defeat he resumed his active practice of law in New York city in partnership with E. W. Hatch and William F. Sheehan, the association continuing until 1912. He later became head of the law firm of Parker, Marshall, Miller, Auchincloss & Randall, which ranged as one of the leading legal firms in the country. He was chosen a member of the international policyholders committee of the Mutual Life Insurance Company and the New York Life Insurance Company

of New York and served as chairman of the executive branch of that committee. Judge Parker was president of the National Civic Federation, had been president of the State Bar Association, the New York County Bar Association, and at the annual meeting of the American Bar Association held at St. Paul, Minnesota, in August, 1906, he was elected its president. Among the numerous clubs of which he was a member were the Metropolitan, Century, Lawyers and National Democratic. He was the oldest living past master of Kingston Lodge, No. 10, F. & A. M., having served as master in 1879. He was commissioner of appeals of the grand lodge and declined higher office in that body. He continued his residence at Kingston until about 1898, when he purchased Rosemont at Esopus, which estate he converted into one of the finest fruit, vegetable and dairy farms in the Hudson River Valley.

Judge Parker was twice married. In 1873 he married first, as previously stated, Mary Louise Schoonmaker, of Accord, Ulster county, who was of Revolutionary ancestry and a descendant of Jocham Schoonmaker, one of the early Dutch settlers. By her he had two children: John, who died in boyhood; and Bertha, who is the widow of Rev. Charles Mercer Hall, formerly rector of the Church of the Holy Cross at Kingston. Mrs. Parker died in 1917, and on the 16th of January, 1923, Judge Parker married Amelia Day Campbell, whose residence is at Esopus and New York city. After a serious illness and operation, the death of Judge Parker occurred suddenly on May 10, 1926, while he was motoring through Central Park, New York city, en route to his home at Esopus, and he was buried at Kingston.

Judge Parker's second wife, Amelia Day Campbell, is the daughter of Andrew Arthur and Amelia (Day) Campbell. Her father was a North of Ireland Scotchman, but on her mother's side she is descended from Captain Myles Standish who came in the Mayflower in 1620; from Robert Day who came in 1634 and was one of the founders of Hartford, Conn.; and from John Whitney who came in 1692, who was descended from several Barons of Runnymede, and from the early kings of England, Scotland, France and Castile. Mrs. Parker is a hereditary member of The National Society of Magna Charta Dames; Society of Mayflower

Descendants, National Society of Colonial Dames; Daughters of Founders and Patriots; Daughters of American Colonists; Daughters of the American Revolution; and New England Women. She is a trustee of the New York State Historical Association, a trustee of Schuyler Mansion, Albany; and a governor of the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation. She is a member of the American Historical Association; New England Historic and Genealogical Society; New York Biographical and Genealogical Society and Ulster County Historical Society. She is a member of the New York Woman's Press Club, and is the author of poems and articles on history and travel. While New York State Historian of the Daughters of the American Revolution, she was Chairman of the research committee which established the fact that Captain Molly buried on the Morgan estate at Highland Falls, N. Y., was in reality Margaret Corbin, heroine of the Battle of Fort Washington in the Revolution, and under her chairmanship the remains were removed to the U. S. Military Cemetery at West Point and buried with full military honors, and a monument placed at Margaret Corbin's last resting place by the New York State Daughters of the American Revolution.

Judge Parker met Miss Campbell through The Sulgrave Institution, of which he was chancellor and she chairman of the National Women's Committee of The Sulgrave Institution, an organization for promoting friendly relations between the English speaking peoples of the world, and to which they were wholeheartedly devoted.

W. DONALD COLEMAN

W. Donald Coleman, successfully engaged in the practice of law at Albany, was born in Troy, New York, April 24, 1900, and is a son of Walter C. and Helen (Murry) Coleman. His grandparents, Thomas and Amelia (Beckett) Coleman, were natives of England but lived in New York for many years and both died in Troy. Walter C. Coleman was born on the home farm in the

Empire state and became secretary and treasurer of the Troy Gas Company. Later he served as assistant treasurer of the New York Power & Light Company and is now living retired in Troy. He is allied with the republican party and has membership in the Episcopal Church. Mrs. Coleman is a native of Troy and a daughter of John and Frances (Hanley) Murry. Her father was born in the Empire state and became a Union soldier. He served as sergeant of his company and was cited for bravery at the battles of Bull Run and Chattanooga. He passed away at the Soldiers' Home and was laid to rest in Oakwood cemetery at Troy. His wife was born in that city and always resided there. Mr. and Mrs. Coleman have two children: W. Donald; and Frances Eugenie, who was graduated from the Emma Willard School and is now attending the Catherine Gibbs School in Boston, Massachusetts.

Reared in his native city, W. Donald Coleman there pursued his education until the completion of his high school course in 1918 and then matriculated in Williams College, from which he received the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1922. While attending that institution he joined the Students Army Training Corps and during the war served with the rank of major of this military body. After leaving Williams College he was a clerk in the office of Bender & Ford, attorneys at law in Albany, until 1927, when he was graduated from the Albany Law School. He then became associated with E. L. Boothby, one of the city's well known lawyers, and continued with him until June, 1929, when he entered upon practice under his own name at 452 Broadway. At this address he also became resident manager and legal representative of the Utilities Mutual Insurance Company and in October, 1930, moved to 90 State street, leasing a suite of offices on the twelfth floor of the building. A safe counselor, he is equally capable in his presentation of a case before the courts and satisfactorily handles the legal interests intrusted to his care.

Mr. Coleman was married in Troy, January 28, 1928, to Miss Martha L. Witman, a native of the city and a daughter of Walter

F. and Harriet F. (Springer) Witman. The father is general manager of the Troy Malleable Iron Company of Watervliet, New York, and still makes his home in Troy but the mother is deceased. Mrs. Coleman was graduated from the Enma Willard School in Troy and from Miss Bennett's School at Millbrook, New York. She is a member of the First Baptist Church of Troy and also of the Junior League. An Episcopalian in religious faith, Mr. Coleman has membership in the Free Church of the Ascension, and his political support is given to the republican party. A devotee of golf, he spends many of his leisure hours on the links of the Troy Country Club, to which he belongs, and also enjoys tennis and fishing. His name likewise appears on the membership rolls of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity and the Albany Bar Association. Young in years, he stands practically upon the threshold of his professional career and has all of the qualities essential to success in legal practice.

WILLIAM J. KATTREIN

Possessing the initiative and forcefulness essential to progress in the commercial world, William J. Kattrein has stimulated the business development of Albany, his native city, and is the directing head of the Watervliet Tool Company, widely known manufacturers. He was born January 7, 1880, a son of Christian L. and Katrina (Mueller) Kattrein, who came to this country from Germany. His great-grandfather in the paternal line was a distinguished military leader who held the rank of general in the Prussian Army. Crossing the Atlantic, Christian L. Kattrein established his home in Albany and here spent the remainder of his life. He was connected with carriage industries and prior to his death represented the Milburn Wagon Company as local manager. When the country of his adoption became involved in civil strife he enlisted in the Union Army and took part in the battles of Fredericksburg and Vicksburg and other important engagements. In politics he was a republican and the

teachings of the German Lutheran Church constituted his guide throughout life.

Reared in the city of his birth, William J. Kattrein passed through consecutive grades in the public schools, pursuing his studies until graduated from high school with the class of 1897, and then made his initial step in the field of business as a stenographer for the Albany Hardware Company. For twenty-three years he remained in their employ, advancing through the various departments and eventually becoming buyer and sales manager. In 1920 he tendered his resignation and at Watervliet, New York, formed the Watervliet Tool Company. It was started with a small capital and in the same year removal was made to Albany. A desirable location was secured at 1041 Broadway and here the business has since been conducted. It has enjoyed a steady and substantial growth, due to the foresight, the sagacity and ability of Mr. Kattrein, who has been president and treasurer of the company from the time it was organized. The plant is supplied with the latest types of machines used in the manufacture of tools and furnishes employment to about ninety-three men. There is a large and constantly increasing demand for the output, which is shipped to many parts of the globe. From the outset Mr. Kattrein has maintained a high standard of production and to this he largely attributes his success. He has established an office in New York city and is one of the most progressive manufacturers in his line.

The marriage of William J. Kattrein and Agnes M. Newcomb was solemnized in Albany, January 22, 1913. Mrs. Kattrein was born in Rochester, New York, and came to Albany with her parents when she was nine years of age; she was a high school graduate. Her father, S. Eugene Newcomb, was born in the vicinity of Kingston, New York, and for a number of years prior to his death served as secretary of the Nitro Powder Company of Kingston. His wife, Emma L. (Rullifson) Newcomb, was born near Rochester, New York, and is also deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Kattrein have two children: Ethel Newcomb, who was born May 2, 1914, and is attending St. Agnes School; and William J.,

Jr., who was born December 18, 1918, and is a student at Albany Academy. The family home is at 21 Marion avenue.

In the work of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church the parents have long been active. Mr. Kattrein is one of its vestrymen and when funds were raised for a new house of worship he supervised its construction, being a member of the building committee of the church. Mr. Kattrein was one of the principal factors in raising the funds and bringing the project to a successful conclusion and the new church edifice is now completed. Formerly he was active in military affairs as a member of Company A, Tenth Regiment of the New York National Guard, and when honorably discharged was serving as corporal. A devotee of golf, he spends many of his leisure hours on the links of the Albany Country Club, to which he belongs, and is also connected with the Fort Orange Club, the Rotary Club and the Aurania Club; is a past president and holds a life membership in the last named organization. Fraternally he is a Mason, identified with Ancient City Lodge, No. 452, F. & A. M., and is one of the energetic members of the Chamber of Commerce who are promoting Albany's growth and prosperity. An independent voter, Mr. Kattrein places the qualifications of a candidate before party ties and is broad in his views, progressive in his standards and high in his ideals—a man whom to know is to esteem and respect.

HON. GILBERT D. B. HASBROUCK

As a member of the state legislature, as deputy attorney general and as a justice of the supreme court of New York, Hon. Gilbert D. B. Hasbrouck has left the impress of his individuality upon the legal history of his state, and after many years of distinguished public service he is now devoting his attention to the private practice of law. He is one of Kingston's foremost citizens and a scion of a family that has been represented in Ulster county for two hundred and seventy years. He was born at Port Ewen, in the town of Esopus, Ulster county, February 19, 1860,



HON. GILBERT D. B. HASBROUCK

his parents being Josiah and Ellen J. (Blauvelt) Hasbrouck, the former born January 1, 1830, and the latter January 22, 1838. He is a descendant in the eighth generation of Jean Hasbrouck, who fled from Calais, France, to America in the year 1660 in order to escape religious persecution. The latter settled in Ulster county and became one of the patentees of New Paltz, where he was the builder of the Memorial House. From Jean Hasbrouck the line of descent is traced down in successive generations through Jacob, Isaac, Jacob I., Josiah, Jacob DuBois and Josiah to Gilbert Hasbrouck of this review. Dr. Josiah Hasbrouck, the father of Gilbert D. B. Hasbrouck, was classed with the leading physicians of Ulster county and his practice was one of the most extensive in the territory surrounding Port Ewen. He married Ellen J. Blauvelt, whose ancestors came to this country from Holland during the colonial period in American history. Among her early forbears was Johannes David Blauvelt, who served with distinction in the Revolutionary war and with his troops guarded the shores of the Hudson from the Hoek to Piermont. Mrs. Ellen J. (Blauvelt) Hasbrouck was a daughter of Gilbert D. and Maria (Maybe) Blauvelt, a granddaughter of David D. and Eleanor (Fowler) Blauvelt and a great-granddaughter of David and Katharine (Perry) Blauvelt. The last named couple lived on a farm on the state line between New Jersey and New York in the Kakiat Patent, part of which belonged to the Perry family.

In the public schools of his native town Gilbert D. B. Hasbrouck obtained his elementary instruction and was next a pupil in the New Paltz Academy, from which he was graduated in 1876. His more advanced education was acquired in Rutgers College, which institution conferred upon him the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1880, the degree of Master of Arts in 1883 and the degree of Doctor of Laws in 1920. During 1881 and 1882 he attended the Columbia Law School in New York city, also studying under the competent preceptorship of the Hon. William S. Kenyon, and in May, 1882, was admitted to the bar of the state of New York. He remained a resident of Port Ewen until 1886 and then removed to the city of Kingston, where he

has made his home throughout the intervening period of forty-five years.

Mr. Hasbrouck entered the political arena in 1883, when he was elected to the general assembly of New York. He served during the session of 1884 and 1885 and had as his associates in the legislature a number of men who were later outstanding figures in both state and national affairs. Among these were De Witt C. Littlejohn, Theodore Roosevelt, Fred W. Kruse and William F. Sheehan—a notable company of men. In 1887 Mr. Hasbrouck was appointed corporation counsel of the city of Kingston, acting in that capacity until January 1, 1894. He was then made second deputy attorney-general and on the 1st of January, 1895, became first deputy attorney-general, holding that important position for five years or until 1899. Thereafter he resumed private practice and was thus engaged until January 1, 1902, when he entered upon judicial service in connection with the court of claims, of which he was the presiding judge from December 1, 1903, to December 16, 1904. In the following year, through appointment of Governor Odell, he became a justice of the supreme court of New York, to which high office he was elected in 1912 and reelected in 1926. In September, 1922, he had been assigned associate justice of the appellate division by Governor Nathan L. Miller and thus continued until November, 1923, when his term on that bench expired, but he remained a member of the supreme court of the state until January 1, 1931, being again assigned to the appellate division by Governor Alfred E. Smith on the 18th of January, 1928. From 1907 to 1908 he was commissioner of condemnation to condemn the Ashokan Reservoir lands. On the supreme court bench he manifested the fine poise, the instinctive love of justice, the breadth of mind, the analytical power, the integrity and the sympathy for mankind which constitute the ideal jurist and his rulings were characterized by a masterful grasp of every problem presented for solution. Since his retirement from the bench Judge Hasbrouck plans to resume private practice. He had the honor to represent Governor Morton in the case of *People ex rel. Broderick vs. Mor-*

ton, Woodruff & Fish; and Governor Odell in re Guden, to uphold the constitutionality of political executive acts when challenged by the judiciary. He is a director of the State of New York National Bank.

On the 13th of January, 1886, in Kingston, New York, Judge Hasbrouck was married to Miss Julia Mary Munn, who was born September 26, 1862, at East New York, her parents being the Rev. Anson Foskett and Arabella L. (Morss) Munn, both of whom are deceased. Her mother was a daughter of Burton G. Morss, of Red Falls, New York. Rev. Anson F. Munn, born in Stockbridge, Massachusetts, January 16, 1828, was a graduate of Rutgers College and the New Brunswick Theological Seminary and passed away at Coxsackie, New York. His daughter, Mrs. Julia Mary Hasbrouck, held membership in the Monday Club of Kingston and also with the Daughters of the American Revolution, of which she was regent in 1908. She died May 19, 1926. By her marriage she became the mother of three daughters, namely: Anne, the wife of George W. Codwise, of Kingston; Ellen Blauvelt, who is Mrs. H. Nelson Conant and resides at 44 Court street, Dedham, Massachusetts; and Elise M., who resides at 209 Clinton avenue, Kingston.

In many ways Judge Hasbrouck has done much for the people and for the state in which he lives. During the turbulent period of the World war he served as chairman of the Ulster County Home Defense Committee and also as chairman of the Ulster County Chapter of the American Red Cross, of which he is vice chairman for 1931. He was chosen commissioner of the celebration of the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the founding of Kingston, trustee of the Hudson River celebration and in 1927 was chairman of the sesqui-centennial celebration of the organization of the state government at Kingston. He is a trustee of the New York State Historical Society, of which he served as president in 1922 and 1923, and was made president of the Ulster County Historical Society in 1930. He was a trustee of Rutgers College from 1913 until 1918 and is now serving as president of the board of visitors of the State Normal School at New Paltz,

New York. In 1877, while a student at Rutgers College, he became a member of Zeta Psi, and he is also affiliated with Kingston Lodge, No. 550, B. P. O. E., which he joined in 1912. He likewise has membership in the Holland Society, belongs to the First Dutch Reformed Church of Kingston and was made a member of the tercentenary committee to celebrate the founding of the Reformed Church in New Netherlands. His appreciation for the social amenities of life is manifest in his connection with the University Club of New York; the Fort Orange Club of Albany, New York; the Troy Club of Troy, New York; the Kingston Club of Kingston, New York; the Mic Mac Salmon Club of Restigouche, New Brunswick, Canada; and the Twaalfskill Country Club of Kingston, New York. Along strictly professional lines he has membership in the Ulster County Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association and the American Bar Association. A man of steadfast purpose, he has never lacked the courage to stand alone, if need be, in the maintenance of the principles which he believes to be right, and the record of no public official of the state has been more faultless in honor, fearless in conduct or stainless in reputation than has that of Gilbert D. B. Hasbrouck.

JOHN W. ECKERT

John W. Eckert, who formerly served as county attorney and is now engaged in the general practice of law in Kingston, was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, November 2, 1888. The paternal grandfather settled in Saugerties, Ulster county, and was one of the early contractors of that locality. Elmer Eckert, the father of John W. Eckert, was born in Saugerties in February, 1861, and during the greater part of his life was identified with the machinery business. As a young man he removed to New York city, later becoming a resident of the Quaker city, and was serving as secretary and treasurer of the Philadelphia Machinery & Supply Company at the time of his death, which oc-

curred April 2, 1898, at the comparatively early age of thirty-seven years. His widow, Mrs. Jennie L. (Cornwell) Eckert, was born in Saugerites, January 12, 1862, and now makes her home in Phoenicia, New York.

John W. Eckert, an only child, pursued his education in Philadelphia until ten years of age and after the father's death went with his mother to Phoenicia, where he completed his grammar school course in 1900. He was graduated from Kingston Academy, June 25, 1908, and on the 1st of August of that year entered the office of Judge Alphonso T. Clearwater, who directed his law studies. On the 13th of May, 1913, he was admitted to the bar. From that time until December, 1928, he was associated with Judge Clearwater. He now maintains a fine suite of offices in the Kingston Trust Company building. He has already won a large clientele and his law business is rapidly increasing in volume and in importance. At the outset of his career he learned the necessity for thoroughness and never enters the courtroom without being fully prepared to present his case in the strong, clear light of sound reasoning, based upon the fact and the law. On the 1st of January, 1914, he took office as county attorney and served until June, 1928, amply justifying the trust reposed in him. In financial circles he figures prominently as a trustee of the Ulster County Savings Institution and as trust officer and a director of the Kingston Trust Company, which he likewise represents as counsel.

Mr. Eckert was married February 20, 1918, to Miss Grace Wood, a daughter of Benson and Christina (O'Neil) Wood, who are now deceased. Mrs. Eckert's father was in the mercantile business and her grandfather, a pioneer dry goods merchant of Kingston, was a member of the firm of Benson, Wood & Hubbard, engaged in business on Wall street. Fraternally Mr. Eckert is a Mason, identified with Kingston Lodge, No. 10, F. & A. M. In 1928 he was elected president of the Kingston Club, serving for one term, and since 1911 has been secretary of the Republican County Central Committee of Ulster County. Something of the nature of his recreation is indicated in his connection with the

Twaalfskill Country Club and the Rip Van Winkle Country Club at Palenville, New York. For two years he has served and now is on the executive committee of the New York State Bar Association of which he is a member. He is also a member of the Federated Bar Associations of the Third Judicial District and the Ulster County Bar Association. Mr. Eckert has a keen sense of his responsibilities as a lawyer and whatever he does is for the best interests of his clients and for the honor of his profession.

ROSCOE V. ELSWORTH

Roscoe V. Elsworth, numbered among the able and successful young attorneys of Kingston, is widely known as a member of the law firm of Brinnier & Elsworth, with offices at 53 John street. He was born at Port Ewen, Ulster county, New York, April 9, 1893, his parents being Millard F. and Elizabeth (Van Aken) Elsworth. The name Elsworth is English, and the ancestral line shows a mixture of English and Holland Dutch blood on the paternal side. William Elsworth, great-grandfather of R. V. Elsworth, was born May 15, 1766, and died March 9, 1829. He married as his second wife Gitty Van Vliet, who was born October 17, 1785, and died April 24, 1860. Their son, Abraham Elsworth, was born February 20, 1819, and died October 27, 1899. He married Margaret Burger, who was born May 30, 1825, a daughter of Benjamin and Anna (Wells) Burger, and died July 7, 1898. Millard F. Elsworth, son of Abraham Elsworth and father of R. V. Elsworth, was born July 27, 1859, and for many years has been identified with the dry goods business in Ulster county. On the 15th of September, 1886, he married Elizabeth Van Aken, of Holland Dutch descent, a representative of a family whose members had been prominently identified with the history of Ulster county since pre-Revolutionary days. The American progenitor was Tieter Van Aken, who emigrated to this country from Holland some time prior to 1660, for the baptism of a son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Van Aken is recorded in the

books of the Dutch Reformed Church at Kingston, New York, January 11, 1662. The Van Akens trace their lineage back to John Van Aken, the founder of the ancient city of Aachen, now known as Aix-la-Chappelle, located between the Rhine and Meuse rivers on the border of Holland. The name has been spelled in various ways. Members of the family fought in the Revolutionary war as commissioned officers. Ephraim Van Aken, great-grandfather of Roscoe V. Elsworth in the maternal line, was born January 7, 1810, and died December 27, 1885. He married Eliza Katherine Cole, who was born February 11, 1812, and passed away October 11, 1893. Their son, James E. Van Aken, was born February 9, 1838, and died June 18, 1916. He married Sarah Ann Freer, who was born September 27, 1838, a daughter of Garret I. and Elizabeth (DuBois) Freer, and died May 5, 1893. Elizabeth Van Aken, daughter of James E. and Sarah Ann (Freer) Van Aken, was born January 10, 1866, and as previously stated, on the 15th of September, 1886, became the wife of Millard F. Elsworth, by whom she had a daughter, Cleon, and a son, Roscoe V., the immediate subject of this review. Cleon Elsworth, born at Port Ewen, town of Esopus, Ulster county, March 20, 1888, is a teacher in the public schools of Mount Vernon, New York. All of the above named except Elizabeth DuBois, a native of the city of Kingston, New York, were lifelong residents of the town of Esopus, Ulster county, this state.

Roscoe V. Elsworth acquired a public school education at Port Ewen and was graduated from Ulster Academy with the class of 1912, after which he taught in the public school for one year. His professional training was received in the Albany Law School, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Laws in June, 1916. Thereafter he was on the editorial staff of the Edward Thompson Company, law-book publishers of Northport, Long Island, until the time of his enlistment for service in the World war in June, 1917, with the First Battalion, Naval Militia. He continued to serve in the naval forces of the United States until February, 1919, and later in the same year was admitted to the bar. For a time he was associated with

Hon. Willet E. Hoysradt, well known attorney of Poughkeepsie, New York, and afterward practiced alone in Kingston until January, 1924, when he became connected with the law firm of Brinnier & Canfield, the name of which was changed to Brinnier, Canfield & Elsworth about two years later. At the end of another two-year period the firm adopted its present style of Brinnier & Elsworth, the partners being William D. Brinnier, Jr., and Roscoe E. Elsworth, who are accorded an extensive and gratifying clientage in recognition of their marked ability in the work of the courts.

Mr. Elsworth was elected supervisor of his ancestral town of Esopus on the republican ticket, in the fall of 1923 and served during the years 1924 and 1925. He was elected for another two-year term in the fall of 1929 and has made a most creditable and commendable record in office. He is a member of Kingston Post, No. 10, American Legion, and fraternally is affiliated with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks at Kingston, New York. He is also a member of the national legal fraternity, Gamma Eta Gamma. Mr. Elsworth attends the Dutch Reformed Church of Port Ewen, and enjoys deserved popularity in both social and professional circles of his native county. He is unmarried and resides with his parents at Port Ewen.

HON. JOHN E. MACK

Hon. John E. Mack, former justice of the supreme court, a leader of the bar of New York state, a brilliant trial lawyer and a forensic pleader of rare power, is probably the most popular citizen of Dutchess county. Though his start was humble, he has risen to distinction and wealth. Few indeed have so completely won the hearts of fellow citizens as has Judge Mack. A son of Daniel and Margaret (Heffernan) Mack, he was born June 10, 1874, in what is now known as Arlington in the town of Poughkeepsie, near Vassar College. He attended the Arlington district school, St. Mary's parochial school in Poughkeepsie and was



John E. Mack

graduated from the Poughkeepsie high school in 1892, at which time he entered the offices of John Hackett, James L. Williams and Allison Butts, who were then the leading trial lawyers in Poughkeepsie. His legal studies were carried on in their offices and he was admitted to the bar in January, 1896.

In 1899 he was elected a justice of the peace in the town of Poughkeepsie, being the only democratic member of the town board. At the expiration of his term of office as justice of the peace, he was endorsed by both parties. Before the expiration of his second term and in the fall of 1906, he was elected district attorney of Dutchess county, to which office he was again renominated in 1909 and was reelected, leading the rest of the candidates on his ticket. At the expiration of his second term, he declined to accept a renomination. He nominated Edward A. Conger, who had been his assistant, and Judge Conger succeeded him in his office.

In 1910 John Mack formed a partnership with Charles Morschauser and former Surrogate Willet E. Hoysradt under the firm name of Morschauser, Hoysradt & Mack, and in a few years Mr. Hoysradt withdrew from the firm, which continued as Morschauser & Mack, next as Morschauser, Mack & Mulvey and then Morschauser & Mack, until the elevation of Charles Morschauser to the bench of the court of claims. Up to the present time Mr. Mack has carried on his office at 234 Main street, Poughkeepsie, as an individual. However, during the lifetime of Charles Morschauser his old office was maintained and for a short period in the interim between the expiration of the term of Mr. Morschauser and his reappointment, the old firm was continued. After the retirement of Charles Morschauser from the court of claims, he occupied his old office in conjunction with Mr. Mack but did not actively engage in practice.

For many years Judge Mack has enjoyed the friendship of Governor Franklin D. Roosevelt, having nominated him for the state senate in 1910 and 1912 and accompanied him to San Francisco in 1920, when Mr. Roosevelt was nominated for vice president of the United States. On June 13, 1930, Governor Roosevelt

appointed him a justice of the supreme court to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Justice Frank L. Young. Justice Mack served until January, 1931, making a splendid record on the bench. His legal attainments are varied and unusual. In the noted Stillman case, also in the Browning case and the Harry K. Thaw habeas corpus case, he earned nation-wide recognition as one of the most brilliant and forceful lawyers of this era.

While the law office of Judge Mack is probably the largest and busiest law office between New York and Albany, his time and work have not been devoted exclusively to the law. For about ten years he was chairman of the Dutchess county committee of the State Charities Aid Association, which carried on the work of child welfare, and he gave general aid to this work until the passage by the legislature of the law creating the Board of Child Welfare relating to Dutchess county, at which time all of such work was taken over by the Board of Child Welfare. Previously it had been carried on through the aid of the State Charities Aid Association by voluntary subscriptions. For many years he was chairman of the public health committee of the town of Poughkeepsie, a town then having a population greater than that of the city of Beacon. He has also for many years acted as chairman of the Christmas seals campaign in that town. The work of the public health committee of the town of Poughkeepsie was substantially aided by the Christian Association of Vassar College. For a number of years he has been and still is chairman of the Dutchess county committee of Catholic Charities and is the only director of Catholic Charities who resides outside the city of New York in this diocese.

On the 25th of October, 1899, Judge Mack was united in marriage to Wilhelmina B. Immekus, of Poughkeepsie, New York. Their children are four in number, namely: Margaret M. and John Edward, who are graduates of law schools and are now in their father's office; Edward J., a student at Manhattan College; and Mary, a graduate of the Poughkeepsie high school. The home life of Judge Mack has been very happy. He is interested in horticulture, and his homes at Arlington and Clove Val-

ley have continuous bloom in season, his display of peonies, iris, gladioli, dahlias, evergreens and shrubs being noteworthy. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus, Elks and Farm Bureau. In recent years he has served as toastmaster at the annual dinners of the Dutchess County Farm Bureau. One who knew him well said: "Withal he has learned to 'walk with kings and keep the common touch,' for John Mack is a plain man—a man of the people."

EMILE TAICLET

One of Kingston's self-made men is successfully engaged in the manufacture of paper boxes—a business which has constituted his life work. A native of France, he was born October 18, 1881, and pursued his education in the schools of that country until 1893, when he came to the United States with his mother, who located in New York city. She remained a resident of the east until her demise in 1902, having long survived the father, who passed away in France. Their family numbered eight children, of whom four are deceased. The others are: Leon and Vallery, who live in Passaic, New Jersey; Mary, of France; and Emile.

The last named was a lad of twelve when he crossed the Atlantic and began the struggle for a livelihood in New York city, obtaining employment in a paper box factory. There he remained for a number of years, working in the various departments and winning promotions as he demonstrated his ability and worth. Ambitious and self-reliant, he prepared to use his knowledge and experience for his own benefit and chose Kingston as the scene of his activities, arriving in the city March 16, 1922. Here he started operations at 495 Broadway, his present location, and his factory and stockroom now occupy a space about one hundred and fifty by one hundred and fifty feet. The latest and most improved machinery has been installed in his plant, which is devoted to the manufacture of paper boxes used as containers

for shirts, and furnishes employment to a large force of men. In normal times the monthly output of the factory is one hundred and fifty thousand shirt boxes, which are sold to the trade in Kingston. Every detail of the work is under the personal supervision of Mr. Taiclet, who maintains a high standard of production and has thoroughly systematized the business, which within a period of nine years has grown from a small concern to one of the leading institutions of the kind in this part of the state.

On the 11th of November, 1906, Mr. Taiclet was married to Miss Laura Hoenig, a native of New York city, and three children were born to them: Lucy, the wife of Morris Clayre, a lumberman of Maiche, France; Vallery, who is connected with the Buick automobile agency in Kingston; and Emile, who is attending school No. 5. Mr. Taiclet has an attractive home at 54 Stephan street, Kingston, and he and his family are communicants of the Roman Catholic Church. He is identified with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks but has few interests outside of his business and is thoroughly informed upon matters pertaining to the paper box industry. Through the exercise of effort he has progressed far in his chosen field and in achieving prosperity he has also won the respect, confidence and goodwill of his fellowmen, for he has always been guided by the Golden Rule, following honorable, straightforward methods which neither seek nor require disguise.

CHARLES L. A. WHITNEY

Worthily following in the business footsteps of his father, Charles L. A. Whitney is successfully guiding the destiny of one of the oldest and largest dry goods houses in Albany as president of the William M. Whitney Company and is also a well known banker. Born in this city on the 19th of September, 1870, he is a son of William Minott and Amelia (Cook) Whitney and of English lineage. He is a direct descendant of Richard Whitney,

who was born in England in 1626 and when a lad of nine years sailed for America with his parents, John and Eleanore Whitney, who arrived in Westertown, Massachusetts, in June, 1635. His great-grandfather was Brigadier General Josiah Whitney, whose wife bore the maiden name of Sarah Farr. Their son, Daniel Whitney, married Hannah Shedd and they were the parents of William Minott Whitney, who was born in Boston, Massachusetts, January 2, 1827. When he was but a year old the family removed to New York city, where he acquired his education, and his first position was in a retail dry goods store of that metropolis. Later he worked for a wholesale dry goods house, becoming an expert buyer, and from 1852 until 1859 was chief buyer for various firms engaged in that line of merchandising. The large department store at 43-49 North Pearl street, Albany, to which he devoted so many years of his life, was opened in 1859 by Ubsdell, Pierson & Company and in 1860 Mr. Whitney came here as their manager. In 1862 James T. Lenox purchased the business and formed a partnership with Mr. Whitney and he continued as manager. In 1865 he formed a connection with John G. Meyers, and combining their interests under the style of Whitney & Meyers, they purchased the Lenox Store, which then became known as the "New York Store." The partnership was dissolved in 1870, when Mr. Meyers retired, and Mr. Whitney conducted the business alone until 1877, when he admitted William H. Pangburn and S. M. Van Santvoord as partners. That association was terminated at the end of twelve years and Mr. Whitney continued the business with his son, William M., Jr., who died in Albany, February 6, 1899. In 1896 he admitted his other son, Charles L. A. Whitney, as a partner and thus made provision for the continuation of what is one of the most enterprising and successful concerns of the kind in this section of the state. The father was long an outstanding figure in mercantile circles of Albany, gaining high standing as a business man, and was also identified with financial interests as a director of the First National Bank of Albany. Fraternally he was a Mason and he gave his political support to the republican party, while

in religious belief he was a Universalist. His long, upright and useful life was terminated May 10, 1905, when he was seventy-eight years of age, and he was laid to rest in a cemetery of Albany. His wife, Amelia (Cook) Whitney, was born in New York city, January 13, 1831, and was a daughter of Walter and Mary (Munro) Cook.

Charles L. A. Whitney pursued his studies in Albany Academy and in the Phillips Academy at Andover, Massachusetts. Completing his course in 1887, he at once entered his father's store and at first worked in the shipping department. He was employed in various capacities, becoming conversant with the work in every department, and in 1896 was made a partner in the concern. After the father's death in 1905 the business was incorporated under the style of W. M. Whitney & Company and Charles L. A. Whitney was elected president. For more than a quarter of a century he has been the executive head of the business, fully meeting the requirements for its successful conduct under ever changing conditions and steadfastly adhering to the high standards of merchandising which have at all times governed the commercial transactions of this old and reliable house. Mr. Whitney is also vice president of the Wheeler Company of Albany, a director of the City Savings Bank and president of the Morris Plan Company of Albany. With keen insight into business affairs and situations, he has so directed his efforts as to inspire public trust and confidence and his name is a valuable asset to the institutions which he represents, insuring their soundness and stability.

On the 27th of September, 1893, Mr. Whitney was married at Mammoth Beach, New York, to Miss Grace Niles, who was born in New York city, July 31, 1874, and attended the Briarly School in that metropolis. She is a daughter of Lucian Hanks and Mattie A. (Bradford) Niles, both now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Whitney have a daughter, Marjorie, who was born September 26, 1894, and is now the wife of Thomas B. Wheeler, president of the Wheeler Company of Albany. They have become the parents of two sons, Thomas B., Jr., and Charles Whitney Wheeler.

Mr. Whitney is a vestryman of Trinity Episcopal Church and his wife also has membership in this church, in the City Club and the Woman's Club of Albany. Appreciative of the social amenities of life, he has connection with the Fort Orange Club and the Schuyler Meadows Country Club. Fraternally he is a Mason, identified with Temple Lodge, No. 14, F. & A. M. As one of the directors of the Chamber of Commerce he is stimulating Albany's upbuilding and advancement along business lines and during the World war he was active in and affiliated with the Red Cross. He has traveled extensively, both in this country and abroad, and polo playing and horseback riding also afford him relaxation and enjoyment. Interested in farming and dairying, Mr. Whitney has a fine estate of eighty acres at Loudonville, New York, where he keeps a valuable herd of Guernsey cattle, and this place is known as "Wyebrook Farm," so called because of the original settlement of the family several centuries ago at Whitney, on the Wye river in England. Like his father, he has never deviated from the course dictated by conscience, honor and good judgment and maintains unsullied the family name.

R. J. BOYCE, M. D.

Among the more recent additions to the citizenship of Poughkeepsie is numbered Dr. R. J. Boyce, who is concentrating his attention upon the practice of medicine. Born in Ontario, Canada, June 30, 1904, he is one of the six children of Richard J. and Agnes M. (Campion) Boyce and a member of an old and prominent family of that province. Having mastered the branches of learning taught in the public schools, he matriculated in Regiopis College and later entered Queen's University, both at Kingston, Ontario, there pursuing his studies until he won his M. D. degree. Following this he was an interne in the Hotel Dieu Hospital at Kingston, Canada, and in St. Francis Hospital at Poughkeepsie. In August, 1930, he opened an office at 319 Mill

street and has already become well established in practice. He belongs to the Dutchess-Putnam Medical Society and to the New York State Medical Society. He is a young man of serious purpose and has all of the qualities which make for success in the medical profession. In religious faith he is a Roman Catholic, while fraternally he is identified with the Knights of Columbus.

TIMOTHY W. HORTON

Timothy W. Horton, a representative of one of the honored old families of Orange county, was a lifelong resident of the town of Wallkill, where he devoted his attention to agricultural pursuits with gratifying success and was also extensively engaged in the milk business. He was born in January, 1819, being the son of Barnabas and Jerusha (Wheat) Horton, natives of Orange county, who spent their entire lives here. The father, who was a man of great industry and untiring perseverance, was identified with agricultural pursuits throughout his entire active life and met with fair success in his enterprises. He died on the home farm of Timothy Horton in 1867. His wife had passed away twenty years prior to his demise.

Utilizing the excellent education he had obtained in boyhood, Timothy W. Horton began to teach school at the age of nineteen years, and this profession he followed for a period of ten years, after which he took up general farming. He was the owner of one hundred and fifty acres of finely improved land, embellished with an attractive, substantial residence, together with neat out-buildings, adapted to the work of the farm. For many years he sold milk at Middletown, and had a large trade among the people there.

In 1845 Mr. Horton married Miss Sarah A. Beyea, daughter of Peter and Durinda Beyea, natives of Sullivan county, New York. Six children were born to them, as follows: Chauncey E., who became very prominently known in Orange county and also in New York city as one of the successors of the J. M. Hor-

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ton Ice Cream Company founded by his uncle, who passed away February 22, 1928, in New York; William A., who was a resident of the eastern metropolis and who is also deceased; Mary A., who married William S. Wheat, of New York city, also deceased; James M., who died in Orange county; Seymour, likewise deceased, who was a resident of New York city; and Ella, who married Frank Beyea, of Orange county, and who resides near The Maples, the old Timothy Horton homestead three miles from Middletown.

Politically Mr. Horton generally affiliated with the democratic party, but never aspired to political honors, although at the earnest solicitation of his friends he served for two years as a member of the board of supervisors. In his death, which occurred in 1896, when he was aged seventy-seven years, Orange county sustained the loss of one of its worthy native sons, prosperous agriculturists and highly respected citizens. His widow survived him till 1918, when she died at the age of ninety-two. After her death Chauncey E. bought the home farm and it is now owned by his sister, Mrs. Beyea.

EDWARD MADISON CAMERON

One of the progressive business men of the Hudson River Valley, of versatile talents and varied interests, is Edward Madison Cameron, president of the E. M. Cameron Lumber Corporation, at 608 Central avenue in the city of Albany.

Mr. Cameron was born in Albany, New York, October 7, 1864, and is a son of the late Truman Daniel and Elizabeth (Flagler) Cameron. He is descended on the paternal side from one of Scotland's old and well-established families. His great-great-grandfather, James Cameron, was born in 1746 near Athole, Perthshire, Scotland, and came to America in 1773. He settled on a tract of land known as Sherman's patent near Luzerne, Warren county, New York, and here he engaged in farming and lumbering. His land overlooked the Hudson river, and twelve miles from his

home stood a mountain which was named Jimmie's Peak in his honor. He died here in 1849, having attained the extraordinary age of one hundred and three years. He married Christia Ann Mord in Scotland about 1767. Rev. John Cameron, son of James and great-grandfather of Edward M. Cameron, was born in Blair-Athole, Perthshire, Scotland, November 9, 1769, and in 1773, when he was a child of four years, was brought to America by his parents. In his later life, he became a minister in the Methodist Church, and died in Warren county, New York, December 14, 1826. He married Julia Ann Hodson, who was born in Johnsburg, New York, in 1775, and died January 15, 1835, in Warren county. Next in the paternal line was James Cameron, grandfather of the immediate subject of this review. He was born in Luzerne, New York, October 8, 1794. He was a farmer and lumberman by occupation, and was prominent in public affairs. His politics were democratic, and he was a supervisor of Thurman, Warren county, in 1830-31 and 1844-45, also represented the district in the New York state legislature about 1840. He served as a private in the War of 1812 with Capt. James McDonald's company of New York militia. He was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He married Dinah Coman, who was born August 30, 1800, in Warren county, and died in Warrensburg, April 6, 1892. James Cameron died July 10, 1858. His son, Truman Daniel Cameron, the father of Edward M. Cameron, was born January 9, 1832, near Luzerne, New York. After finishing his own studies, he taught for seventeen years at the Albany Academy in Albany, New York. In 1866, he embarked in the lumber business in Albany, and in this occupation remained until 1888, then retired to private life and was succeeded by his son, as noted in a later paragraph. He was a loyal member of the Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church, and like his grandfather, John Cameron, was a licensed local preacher and at various times filled vacant pulpits in Albany. He was likewise much interested in local educational affairs, and gave his political support to the democratic party. He died February 20, 1898, in Albany. His wife, Elizabeth (Flagler) Cameron,

was born in Cherry Valley, New York, March 27, 1830, and was a daughter of Daniel and Sarah (Ward) Flagler, both of whom were born in Dutchess county, New York, lived on a farm during their lives, and died near Central Bridge, New York. Mrs. Cameron died in Albany August 12, 1914.

Edward M. Cameron attended the Albany Academy in Albany, and then took up his advanced studies at Union College in Schenectady. From this institution he graduated with the class of 1887, having received the Bachelor of Arts degree, and the degree of Civil Engineer, which was supplemented later with the degree of Master of Arts. He first became associated with his father in the lumber business, mastered the trade in all its phases, and when the elder Cameron retired in 1888 he succeeded him in the capacity of executive head. In 1922, the business was reorganized as the E. M. Cameron Lumber Corporation, and he became president, which is his present incumbency. Two of his sons, Truman David, and Charles Bissell, are now associated with him in the business, the third generation of the family to participate in the conduct of this highly prosperous concern. Mr. Cameron is a member of the Northeastern Lumbermen's Association. He is also a licensed real estate broker, and at one period was actively engaged in the building business, having constructed over five hundred houses in Albany.

On September 14, 1891, Mr. Cameron was married to Miss Mary Ella Sloan, daughter of William K. and Susan Maria (Townsend) Sloan, both of whom are now deceased. William K. Sloan was born in Scotland, was engaged in the lumber business, and was active in the construction of the Central Pacific Railroad. During his early life, he made several trips to the west in charge of covered wagon trains. He usually started in St. Louis, Missouri, crossed the prairies and mountains to Salt Lake City and San Bernardino, then sold his wagons and teams, and returned east by way of the Isthmus of Panama and the Gulf of Mexico. His wife was born in Buxton in the state of Maine.

Mr. and Mrs. Cameron have become the parents of four sons. The oldest is Truman David Cameron, who was born January 27,

1896. He attended the Albany Academy, and in 1917 graduated from Princeton College with the degree of Bachelor of Arts. He then entered the Albany Law School, and received therefrom the Bachelor of Laws degree in 1922. He is now vice president and manager of the E. M. Cameron Lumber Corporation. During the World war period, he was overseas from July, 1918, until March, 1919, with the Fifty-second Pioneer Infantry, and held the rank of first lieutenant. He took part in the St. Mihiel and the Argonne offensives. He married Marion Scudder of Albany, and they have two children, Mary Elizabeth and Truman David, Jr., Edward Madison Cameron, second in order of birth, was born November 3, 1897. He finished the courses of Albany Academy, and graduated from Union College with the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1918, also attained membership in the Phi Beta Kappa honorary scholarship fraternity. He then entered the Albany Law School, which conferred upon him the Bachelor of Laws degree in 1921. He is now a practicing attorney in New York city. He married Honora Boyer of Scranton, Pennsylvania, and they have two children, Ann McLean and Louise. He was unable to enter army life during the World war period, due to an injury, but he did contribute his services in library work at Camp Meade, Maryland. The third son is Charles Bissell Cameron, born October 4, 1901. He attended Albany Academy, graduated from the McBurney School in New York city, and attended Union College for two years. He is now associated with and a director of, the E. M. Cameron Lumber Corporation. He was married to Miss Mary Buford of Chicago, Illinois, and they have one son, Charles B., Jr. After the United States declared war against Germany, Charles B. Cameron was on the training ship Newport, from which he graduated in two years. He was then in the merchant marine service for three years, with the rank of third officer. Douglas Sloan Cameron, the youngest of the four sons, was born January 2, 1909. He graduated from the Albany Academy, and in 1931 received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Union College. The Cameron residence in Albany is situated at 173 Western avenue.

Edward M. Cameron has been associated in religious activities. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, in which he is an elder, and in 1920 he was elected moderator of the Albany Presbytery. He has been interested in democratic politics, and has served on various committees. He is a member and a past director of the Albany Chamber of Commerce, and belongs to the Rotary Club, the University Club, the Albany Society of Engineers, the Albany Country Club, the Delta Phi Club of New York, the Sigma Xi society, and Masters Lodge, No. 5, of Masons. He is a member of the Graduate Council of Union College, and a member of the New York State Historical Society. For the past eight winters, Mr. Cameron has lived at his home near Palm Beach, Florida.

CLARENCE T. VOSS

Clarence T. Voss, supervisor for Shandaken township and a prominent contractor of Phoenicia, his native town, is well known throughout Ulster county as a representative of a family that has materially furthered its development and upbuilding. He was born April 28, 1888, and is a son of Theodore A. Voss, a native of Schlesweig-Holstein, Germany, born June 11, 1858. The father's brothers, Charles and Otto Voss, emigrated to the United States as young men, settling in Chichester, Ulster county, New York, and the former was appointed postmaster at Tannersville, where he also conducted a general store. The latter secured work in a chair factory at Chichester and later went to Florida, where he is now living retired.

Theodore A. Voss came to America at the age of twenty-one, locating in Chichester, Ulster county, New York, and secured employment in the chair factory there. He was next a wagon maker and later turned his attention to contracting. He engaged in that business for many years, erecting many substantial homes and barns in this district, and is now living retired in Phoenicia. When the late William O. Scharzwaelder took

charge of the property at Chichester, Mr. Voss was engaged to remodel the entire village. He transformed it into one of the prettiest towns in the Catskills: In 1910 the city of New York appointed him appraiser of building values in their condemnation proceedings to acquire the property for the Ashokan Reservoir, a part of that city's water supply system. He was married in Kingston to Miss Mary Hickey, who was a native of New York city and passed away in February, 1925. They were the parents of seven children, five sons and two daughters. Richard, the first born, died at the age of nineteen years. Fred, who served in the medical corps of the United States Army during the World war, is now engaged in general practice in Kingston, removing to that city from Gardiner, Ulster county. He married Miss Jeannette Smith, of Union City, New York. Mary, a graduate of the nurses training school in connection with Lenox Hospital of New York city, was there married to Dr. Alfred Orth, a physician, who passed away in that city in 1930. She remains a resident of New York and has a son, Alfred. Ida is the wife of Dr. Phillip J. Bruckner, of New York city. She is a graduate nurse of St. Vincent's Hospital. By her marriage she has become the mother of two sons, Theodore and Phillip. Charles J., an overseas veteran, served in the navy. He married Ethel Marsden and is now a florist, conducting business at Far Rockaway, Long Island. Harry E. was in the transport service during the war and was on duty in New York harbor. In Montreal, Canada, he married Miss Florence Norton and is a graduate of McGill University of that city, with the degree of M. D. He was appointed a member of the staff of the Lawrence General Hospital of Montreal and is now engaged in practice at Bronxville, New York.

Clarence T. Voss, who completes the family, pursued his studies in the public schools of Phoenicia and early in life joined his father in contracting. Starting at the bottom, he readily assimilated the details of the business and has since engaged in construction work, acquiring the ability and skill which result from years of experience and concentrated effort. He remodeled the dutch colonial country home, Brykill Manor, in Ulster county,

owned by William E. Bruyn of New York city, which was described in the June, 1931, issue of Arts and Decorations. He also built the barn which was destroyed by fire in 1930. Mr. Voss has built many of the pretentious homes in this part of the state and the construction of the highway bridges at Phoenicia, Chichester and Mount Tremper constitutes one of his outstanding achievements. Enterprising, efficient and dependable, he has established an enviable reputation as a contractor and ably upholds the traditions of the family. Prompted by the spirit of patriotism, he laid aside all business and personal considerations in 1917, and was one of the first men in Ulster county to enlist for service in the World war. He was assigned to the First Engineers Corps, attached to the First Division, and went to France with the first contingent of United States troops. After the signing of the armistice he was ordered to Germany with the Army of Occupation and his was the last American outfit to leave the Rhine. His overseas service covered twenty-seven months and in October, 1919, he received an honorable discharge.

Mr. Voss is a member of Joyce-Schirick Post, No. 1306, of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Phoenicia Post, No. 950, of the American Legion, and the 40 & 8, the social branch of the Legion. He is identified with Phoenicia Lodge, No. 154, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, to which his father also belongs, and the son is likewise connected with the local lodge of Rebekahs. His Masonic affiliations are with Kingston Lodge, No. 10, F. & A. M.; Mount Horeb Chapter, No. 75, R. A. M., of Kingston; Rondout Commandery, No. 52, K. T.; and Cyprus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Albany. He has membership in the Kingston Shriners Association, Kingston Lodge, No. 550, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Kingston Club, the Rip Van Winkle Golf & Country Club and the Tannersville Country Club.

In public affairs members of the Voss family have long been active. The father has occupied the office of justice of the peace for over thirty years, establishing an enviable record in that connection, and Clarence T. Voss is serving on the local Red Cross committee. He was appointed supervisor for Shandaken town-

ship to complete the unexpired term of James A. Simpson, who was elected county clerk of Ulster county, and on the 1st of January, 1931, Mr. Voss assumed his new duties. He exerts his best efforts in behalf of the interests intrusted to his charge and in public as well as in business affairs he is actuated by a progressive spirit and high ideals of service.

ROBERT HOE

The name of Hoe will always be associated in the minds of informed Americans with the modern printing press. Generations have watched the mammoth presses in newspaper plants and elsewhere and have always noted the name Hoe on these mighty print machines. The Hoe presses made modern newspaper life possible, and had not a little to do in making modern life in all its aspects possible.

The great-grandfather of the gentleman whose name heads this review was Robert Hoe, a native of Leicestershire, England, who came to America in 1814 and settled in New York city, where he worked at his trade of carpentering. He also devised and invented one of the early types of printing presses. His sons were Richard, Robert and Peter. They joined their father in the manufacture of printing presses, and it was Richard who invented and manufactured the first rotary printing press. Robert Hoe served as the directing head of that early business, which marked the most epochal advance in the creation of printed matter on a quantity scale at conservative prices. He married Thyrza Mead and to them were born two children, Robert and Laura. Robert Hoe, the father, was active in the early civic affairs of New York city. He was chosen a member of the committee which investigated graft conditions in the metropolis, resulting in the expulsion of William M. Tweed from the political life of New York. Robert Hoe, one of the two children of Robert and Thyrza (Mead) Hoe, was chosen the directing head of the Hoe concern on the death of his father. He married Olivia P.



ROBERT HOE

James, a sister of the noted D. Willis James. To this union were born nine children, seven daughters and two sons, Arthur I. and Robert, the latter being the immediate subject of this biography.

In his youth Robert Hoe was accorded excellent educational advantages. He attended the Lawrenceville School of Lawrenceville, New Jersey, prior to entering Harvard University, in the class of 1900. In addition to his classical studies he pursued courses in mechanical engineering. On the death of his father, which occurred in 1909, he became president of the incorporated Hoe Company. He also served as president of the Duplex Printing Company of Battle Creek, Michigan, and in 1919 founded the Hoe Corporation of Poughkeepsie, New York. His occupation as well as his chief diversion is mechanical invention. He has to his credit many practical inventions, a number of which have found their way to market from his Poughkeepsie factory. Here are manufactured a very practical electric washer for the home and automatic kitchen aids performing all domestic kitchen work by means of a small device. This mechanical kitchen maid automatically slices vegetables, removes peas from their pods, peels potatoes and slices them, makes ice cream, mixes all kinds of batter and mixtures and in short is a very versatile and wholly dependable kitchen servant. Aside from his active identification with industrial interests, Mr. Hoe figures prominently in financial affairs as president of the First National Bank of Poughkeepsie.

In early manhood Mr. Hoe was united in marriage to Miss Mary Elliot Thompson, a representative of an honored old family of South Carolina who were related to the Livingstons of New York state. Mrs. Hoe is a member of the Colonial Dames and also of the Huguenot Society. By her marriage she has become the mother of two sons, Robert and Edward L.

Mr. Hoe is the able president of the Chamber of Commerce of Poughkeepsie and has long enjoyed high standing in community life. He is a member of the Society of Mechanical Engineers, the Harvard Club, the Quill Club and the Grolier Club and is a

fellow of the Metropolitan Museum and the National Art Society. His inventive genius has proved of direct benefit to humanity, as well as a source of individual prosperity, and public opinion bears testimony to his genuine worth.

FREDERICK S. QUINTERRO

Closely applying himself to the work of his profession, Frederick S. Quinterro has steadily progressed therein and has become recognized as one of the strong and able lawyers of Poughkeepsie. He was born in this city June 5, 1893, and is a son of William S. Quinterro, also a native of Poughkeepsie. The grandfather, William S. Quinterro, Sr., married Ella Clear, whose father, Michael Clear, emigrated to this country from Ireland in 1822, settling in New York, where he taught school for a number of years. He had a son who fought in the Civil war, valiantly defending the Union cause. William S. Quinterro, Jr., entered the field of insurance and has long been engaged in that line of business in Poughkeepsie. He married Clara Welker, whose father was Oscar Welker, while her mother was a member of the Hickok family and of English extraction. Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Quinterro have two children, Frederick S. and Hazel.

The son attended the local schools and following his graduation from high school he made preparation for a legal career. Laying aside his studies, he enlisted May 6, 1917, in the United States Navy for service in the World war and was sent to Gibraltar. He was rapidly promoted, becoming in succession a first class seaman, coxswain, a first class boatswain and ensign. When mustered out he reentered the Albany Law School and was graduated with the class of 1919. In the same year he was admitted to the New York bar and has since practiced in Poughkeepsie. His office is located in a building at the southeast corner of Cannon and Market streets and his clientele is now important and remunerative. He is well versed in the minutiae of the law and

sound judgment directs the utilization of this knowledge in practice.

Mr. Quinterro was married to Miss Dorothy Graham, a daughter of Jesse J. and Elvira (Sague) Graham, and they now have two children, Janet and Nancy. Mr. Quinterro belongs to the American Legion, to Gamma Beta Gamma, a legal fraternity, and to the Dutchess County, New York State and American Bar associations. Keenly interested in his legal work, he gives to it his undivided attention and has all of the qualities essential to success in a most exacting profession.

JOHN H. GREGORY

Enterprising, purposeful and capable, John H. Gregory has long occupied a central place on the stage of activity in Kingston, his native city, which numbers him among its foremost business men. In point of continuous activity he is one of the oldest furniture dealers here and also heads the Kingston Community Hotel Corporation, builders and owners of the Governor Clinton Hotel, while he has likewise found time for public service. He was born March 21, 1859, a son of Joseph Gregory, who was a native of Devonshire, England, and when a young man came to the United States on a sailing vessel which was several months in making the trip across the Atlantic. Locating in Kingston, he at once found employment and through practical experience became thoroughly conversant with the lime and cement business. For many years he was superintendent of quarries for the Newark Lime & Cement Company, filling the position until his death in 1882. His wife, Mary (Borley) Gregory, was also born in Devonshire and as a young girl came to America with her parents, who settled in Ulster county, New York. Here her father followed the occupation of farming and owned the land which became the town site of North Rondout. Of the ten children born to Joseph and Mary Gregory six died before attaining mature years. Thirza, who was born in Kingston in 1864, mar-

ried Charles L. Marsh and resided at Solomons, Maryland, where her death occurred. Edwin, a native of Kingston, at an early age entered the employ of his brother, John H., with whom he continued for a number of years. About 1900 he went to Tacoma, Washington, where he engaged in business as a furniture manufacturer, and now heads one of the largest establishments of the kind on the Pacific coast. He married Grace Edmunds, of Kingston, and they have two children. Wesley, a younger brother, was born in Kingston, January 13, 1868, and attended the local schools. He, too, turned to the furniture trade and conducts business in this city at 3 O'Neil street. He married Mary Larsen, who is now deceased. She was the mother of three children: Joseph W.; Stanley Frederick, who died December 3, 1929; and Paul Donald.

John H. Gregory attended the public schools of Kingston and in 1884 started in the retail furniture business on Broadway, near the line of the New York Central Railroad. In 1888 he removed to his present location at 661 Broadway, where he owns a large modern brick building of four stories with a basement. Mr. Gregory occupies the entire building, which is used for show-rooms and affords excellent facilities for the display of his stock, one of the largest carried by any furniture dealer in the Hudson Valley. The house makes shipments from above Albany to New York city on both sides of the Hudson river and modern trucks are used for both long and short hauls. The business is conducted under the style of Gregory & Company, of which John H. Gregory is president and treasurer, while the sons, Ralph J. and Edwin E., are vice president and secretary, respectively. Established forty-seven years ago, the business of Gregory & Company has enjoyed a steady growth. Mr. Gregory has also given proof of his administrative powers through his accomplishments as the executive head of the Kingston Community Hotel Corporation.

In April, 1884, was solemnized the marriage of John H. Gregory and Miss Mary Smith, a daughter of William B. Smith, now deceased, who was engaged in the manufacture of candy and cigars in Kingston for sixty years. The two children of this

marriage are Edwin E. and Ralph J. The former received his education in the public schools of Kingston and after attending a preparatory school in Hackettstown, New Jersey, returned home to become identified with his father in the furniture business. Fraternally he is a member of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He married Miss Rose Zelmer of Rondout. Ralph J. Gregory supplemented his high school training by a course in architecture at Cornell University but did not enter the profession, choosing a mercantile career instead, and became vice president of Gregory & Company in 1928. He married Miss Hazel Gildersleeve, a native of Long Island and a daughter of Archibald H. Gildersleeve, engaged in the wholesale fruit business in Kingston. They have two daughters, Helene and Jean Gregory.

During the World war period John H. Gregory was active in the Red Cross drives and in the various Liberty Loan campaigns. For a number of years he was president of the old Board of Trade and the Kingston Chamber of Commerce. A Methodist in religious faith, he is one of the trustees of St. James Methodist Episcopal Church. His public activities cover service as city treasurer for one term and as a member of the board of aldermen for a similar length of time. Conscientious and thorough, Mr. Gregory has fulfilled every duty and obligation in life to the best of his ability and his record is one of continuous progress and successful achievement.

WILLIAM H. CONGER, M. D.

Dr. William H. Conger, a successful physician, is well known as the directing head of the Poughkeepsie Board of Health, an office which he has filled acceptably for nine years. He was born in Albany county, New York, January 3, 1885, and is a son of William A. Conger, a native of Reidsville, also located in that county. The grandfather, William H. Conger, was long a resident of Albany county and members of the family have lived in the Hudson River Valley for many generations. The mother of

Dr. Conger was Sarah E. Millspaugh, a native of New Jersey. She was a daughter of Alexander and Sarah (Barricelo) Millspaugh, of Orange county, New York. The Millspaugh family was established in New Jersey prior to the Revolutionary war and subsequently representatives of the name removed to the state of New York. William A. and Sarah E. (Millspaugh) Conger were the parents of five children, of whom two are deceased. The others are: William H.; Alexander, who was graduated from Rutgers College and Princeton University and became a Presbyterian minister, filling pastorates in Newark and New Hackensack, New York, and at Washingtonville and other places in New York; and Bertha, who lives in Washingtonville.

Dr. Conger was reared in his native county and after completing a course in the Albany high school he enrolled as a student in the Albany College of Medicine, which numbers him among its alumni of 1908. After receiving his M. D. degree he was an interne of the Ellis Hospital in Schenectady and was also engaged in medical work for about one year in Yonkers, New York and in this city. He then went to Tivoli, Dutchess county, New York, where he engaged in practice for nine years, after which he took a post-graduate course in New York city and on completing this course returned to Poughkeepsie and opened an office where he has since continued. His ability won public recognition in 1922, when he was asked to take charge of the activities of the board of health, and is still at its head, filling the office with distinction. Under his régime much has been accomplished, both in prevention work and in treatment, and the public health clinics here render a service unexcelled by any city of this size in the country. Of special importance is the work in behalf of children. Experienced nurses are furnished for cases requiring professional treatment and the prophylactic work in the public schools exemplifies the most advanced ideas and methods of hygienic science.

Dr. Conger was married to Miss Iva Frances Brown, a native of Cherry Valley, New York, and a daughter of Leopold and Carolyn (Burton) Brown. Of colonial stock, she is a direct

descendant of the Winne family that gave to the Continental Army soldiers of valor and distinction, and she has membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution. The Doctor is a Mason and something of the nature of his recreation is indicated in his connection with the Dutchess County Golf & Country Club. He belongs to the Dutchess-Putnam Medical Society, the New York State Medical Society, the New York State Sanitary Officers Association and other health bodies. A man of broad sympathies and superior ability, Dr. Conger has rendered to the city of his adoption public service of great importance and value and occupies a high place in his profession.

EDMUND C. SULLIVAN

Edmund C. Sullivan, attorney at law, practicing in Albany, his native city, was born February 27, 1901, and is a son of Michael J. and Mary A. (Reilly) Sullivan. The paternal grandparents, John and Hannah (Casey) Sullivan, who made their home in Albany for many years, remained in the city until called to their final rest. Michael J. Sullivan was born in Albany, New York, and now resides in Rensselaer, N. Y., and at one time was connected with the state department of engineering and surveying. A printer by trade, he is serving as secretary and treasurer of Albany Typographical Union, No. 4, and at one time was its president. His wife, also a native of Albany, is a daughter of Felix and Margaret (Manning) Reilly, who came to this country from the Emerald isle. The father, a Union veteran, has attained the venerable age of ninety-three years and is one of the honored citizens of Rensselaer, but Mrs. Reilly is deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan have a family of five children: Nellie A., who completed a course in the Cathedral Academy and is working in the Albany office of the New York Telephone Company; Peggy, who was graduated from the Cathedral Academy and is in the service of the state health department of New York; Isabelle M., a graduate of the same academy and now connected with the

state department of education at Albany; Edmund C.; and Thomas S., a freshman in the Rensselaer high school.

After attending St. John's Academy, Edmund C. Sullivan became a pupil in the Christian Brothers Academy at Albany, completing his course in 1919. He was next a student in the Albany Law School, which numbers him among its alumni of 1924. In June, 1925, he was admitted to the bar and has since practiced alone. Well versed in statute and precedent, he accurately applies his knowledge to the points in litigation and is accorded a liberal clientele. His office is at 75 State street, Albany, but he resides at 13 Riverside avenue in Rensselaer. Adhering to the religious faith of the family, he is a communicant of St. John's Roman Catholic Church at Rensselaer and his civic spirit is manifest as a member of the Rensselaer Chamber of Commerce. With a predilection for politics, he has been democratic leader of the ninth ward of Rensselaer for the past four years and is a member of the Rensselaer county democratic committee and also of the Rensselaer city democratic committee. For recreation he plays tennis and also enjoys motoring. To his legal work Mr. Sullivan brings the energy and zest of youth and has all the qualities essential to progress and success in a most exacting profession.

DELANCEY N. MATHEWS

Early in his career Delancey N. Mathews formed habits of industry, perseverance and thrift, which have remained with him throughout life, constituting the basis of his success as a business man and financier. He has represented a number of Kingston firms in executive capacities but is perhaps best known through his long connection with the State of New York National Bank, of which he is the president. Born in Hurley, New York, in 1849, he is a son of Egbert R. Mathews, who was born in Olive township, Ulster county, New York, September 11, 1828. With the exception of three years, which he devoted to the trucking



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business in Brooklyn, the father was a lifelong resident of his native county and was accounted one of the foremost men of that section of the state. He had many interests and prospered in all of his undertakings, for his keen sagacity enabled him to avoid the dangerous pitfalls into which unrestricted progressiveness is so frequently led and focus his energies in directions where fruition was certain. While following the occupation of farming he engaged in the lumber business and in quarrying for six years and after disposing of these interests he opened a general store in West Shokan. About a year later he took over the Hoyt Brothers store in Shokan but remained its proprietor for only a year, removing to West Shokan, where he erected a store building and residence. In that town he conducted a general store for three years and then sold the business in 1871 to his son, Delancey N. Mathews, and his son-in-law, James H. North. The latter was a soldier and served from the beginning until the close of the Civil war. Afterward he was supervisor of Olive township for one term and his demise occurred in 1885. Egbert R. Mathews was the first to ship coal into the town of Shokan, dealing in that commodity for two years. He sold all of his interests to Lemuel Boice and resumed the occupation of farming. He also reentered the lumber industry and at the same time was a dealer in Canadian horses. His enterprise, courage and initiative led him into many fields of activity and among his important achievements was the cutting of the Gulf road across the Catskill mountains from Shokan to Greshamville. In the work of development and progress he bore a leading part and was active in public affairs as assessor for Hurley township, occupying the office for two terms. In politics he was a republican and he and his family were active members of the Methodist Church. An upright life of great usefulness was terminated when Mr. Mathews was called to his final rest in 1911, and although many years have elapsed since his death, his memory is still fresh in the hearts of those who knew him.

On the 18th of February, 1848, Mr. Mathews married Sarah E. North, of Olive township, and they were the parents of eleven

children, of whom Delancey N. is the eldest. Olive Minerva, born August 7, 1852, was first married to James H. North, by whom she has two children: Allie J., who was born in 1875 and died in 1889; and Frederica, who was born in 1881 and died in 1886. In November, 1908, many years after the death of her first husband, Mrs. North became the wife of Judge James A. Betts. The other children of Mr. and Mrs. Mathews were: Watson, who was born March 1, 1855, and died October 27 of the same year; William, who was born November 16, 1856, and died in December, 1857; Mary E., who was born January 10, 1857, and died October 10, 1865; Samuel, who was born March 22, 1861, and died November 16, 1862; Everett, who was born October 20, 1862, and died December 7, 1881; Cora J., who was born August 20, 1865, and married U. G. Boice, by whom she had four children, one who died in infancy, Egbert R., born September 29, 1886, Delancey, born September 15, 1888, and James Hillyer; Ward, who was born October 23, 1867, and married Laura Lenox, of Glenford, New York, becoming the father of two children, Ward and Sarah E.; Frederick J., who was born September 30, 1872, and died December 22, 1874; and Dart, who was born October 24, 1873, and died July 18, 1874.

Delancey N. Mathews obtained his elementary education in the rural schools of Olive township, afterward attending the public schools of Brooklyn. In 1865 he returned with his parents to Ulster county, remaining at home for a year and assisting his father in cultivating the farm. In partnership with James H. North he took over the business which his father had established in West Shokan, becoming senior member of the firm of Mathews & North, and was there engaged in general merchandising for forty-two years, carrying the largest and most complete stock between Kingston and Oneonta, New York. In addition he was vice president of the firm of Mathews & Harrison, wholesale grocers of Kingston, occupying the office for twenty-seven years. With Ira C. Forbes, John I. Boice and U. G. Boice, he organized the Olive Manufacturing Company of Bishops Falls, New York, producing pulp used in the manufacture of dynamite. Their

operations were continued for eight years and after the plant was destroyed by fire they sold to the Du Pont interests. During the thirty-one years of its existence Mr. Mathews has served as treasurer of the Olive Cooperative Insurance Company and has been vice president of the Kingston Grain Company since its organization in 1915. For years he has been a trustee of the Wiltwyck Cemetery Association and since 1897 he has served as a trustee of the Kingston Savings Bank, being next to the oldest member of the board. In 1886 he became one of the fifteen directors of the State of New York National Bank and is the sole surviving member of that board. In 1903 he was elected president of the bank and has continuously occupied the office for twenty-eight years, wisely administering the affairs of the institution, which has grown steadily in strength and usefulness. Endowed with marked executive force and keen powers of discernment, he has been successful in coordinating and combining seemingly diverse elements into a harmonious and unified whole and his opinions carry great weight in business and financial circles of the city.

In 1870 Mr. Mathews was married to Sarah M. Dart and they were the parents of two children: Lucy, who died in infancy; and Bertha, who was born October 24, 1871, attended the public schools of West Shokan and is a graduate of Lyndon Hall. She has traveled extensively in the United States and Europe and resides at home. In the work of the Baptist Church she takes a helpful part and is also active in behalf of the Old Ladies Home. For his second wife Mr. Mathews chose Carrie E. Smith, who was born in Oneida county, New York, June 9, 1862. Her father, Franklin Smith, a representative of a well known family of Sheffield, Massachusetts, was engaged in agricultural pursuits until his death, which occurred when he was sixty-seven years of age. The mother, Mary Jeannette (Calkins) Smith, attained the advanced age of ninety-four years. Her early ancestors settled in Sharon, Connecticut, and for generations members of her family remained residents of that town. In her native county Mrs. Mathews obtained her early education, which was supplemented by attendance at Houghton Seminary in Clinton, New York, and

also by study in Claverack College, from which she was graduated in 1885.

A prominent Mason, Mr. Mathews has been a member of Kingston Lodge, No. 10, F. & A. M., for a half century and is also identified with the Knights of Pythias. He votes with the republican party and on its ticket was elected a supervisor, filling the office for two terms. Since 1927 he has been a member of the Kingston Board of Education and is also a member of the board of the Industrial Home for the Aged. He is vice president of Kingston Hospital having previously served for a number of years as a member of its board of managers. A strong advocate of all that he deems vital to the welfare of his community, his broad outlook has enabled him to visualize the possibilities of the future in service to the present. Remarkably well preserved, Mr. Mathews appears much younger than his eighty-two years and his upright, well spent life of activity and usefulness contains much that is of inspirational worth and value.

HERBERT EUGENE THOMAS

As one of the owners of a large job printing plant Herbert Eugene Thomas is well known in business circles of Kingston, his native city, and as county treasurer he also figures prominently in public affairs. He was born November 18, 1886, a son of Charles Meggs Thomas and a grandson of Samuel Thomas.

The father was born in Malden, New York, November 19, 1844, and at the age of sixteen started to learn the printer's trade. He worked for the Freeman, a Kingston paper, for some time and in 1863 enlisted in the old Twentieth Battalion, a part of the Eightieth Regiment of New York Volunteer Infantry, for a period of three years. In 1864 he was severely wounded in the battle of Brandy Station, near Culpeper Court House, Virginia, receiving injuries which crippled him for life. He was taken to the army hospital in Washington, D. C., and later to a hospital on David's island, New York, rejoining his regiment at

City Point, Virginia, before the war was over. He saw President Lincoln while in the south and he also saw Ulysses S. Grant and other generals who were then preparing for the battle of Petersburg, in which he took part. He was a gallant soldier and on the 29th of January, 1866, was mustered out of the service with a creditable military record.

On returning to civilian life Charles M. Thomas resumed his work as a printer and in 1878, in association with John H. Van Keuren, started the Kingston Daily News, which they published for two years. Afterward Mr. Thomas rejoined the staff of the Freeman and in 1884 purchased the defunct Daily Courier, rehabilitating the business, which was then located at 138 East Strand street. In 1884 he established a job printing department, which he maintained in the same location for thirteen years, or until the building was destroyed by fire. In 1897 he started anew at 23 Crown street, where he successfully conducted the plant for twelve years. Mr. Thomas continued in the printing business until his death on the 29th of November, 1908, when he was sixty-four years of age. In politics he was a stalwart republican, unwavering in his allegiance to the party, and for many years he was a zealous, active member of St. James Church. He long served as officer of the day of Pratt Post, No. 127, of the Grand Army of the Republic and was corresponding secretary of the Veterans Association. He served his full time with B Company of the Twentieth Battalion and to the end of his career he retained a keen interest in military affairs. He also belonged to Excelsior Hose Company, No. 4, which numbered him among its charter members. In days of peace and in times of war he was loyal to the best interests of community and country, and an exemplary life won for him the high and enduring regard of his fellowmen. His wife, Christina (Brink) Thomas, passed away June 13, 1892. She was a daughter of Adam Brink and a member of one of the oldest and most highly respected families in Ulster county. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas were the parents of two sons, Arthur E. and Herbert Eugene.

The latter attended the public schools of Kingston and at an

early age started to learn the printer's trade in his father's shop, closely applying himself to the work, in which he soon became proficient. He continued with the father until the latter's death and then took over the printing end of the business, which he has since conducted in partnership with his brother under the name of Charles M. Thomas' Sons. Herbert E. Thomas was a young man of twenty-two when he assumed the management of the plant and for many years he has been active in the direction of the business, which has grown and prospered by reason of the efficient methods and high standards of its owners, who have advanced to a point of leadership in their particular field.

On the 29th of September, 1910, Herbert E. Thomas was married to Miss Harriet Vail Carter, a daughter of Charles H. Carter. Mr. Thomas is a trustee of St. James Church and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. On its ticket he was elected supervisor of the first ward in 1923 and his record won him reelection in 1925. In the fall of 1928 he was the popular choice for county treasurer, taking office January 1, 1929, for a term of three years, and is proving a faithful and efficient custodian of the public funds. During the World war period he was active in the various drives, devoting a large share of his time to work of a patriotic nature. The preservation of the wild life of the state is a matter in which he has long been interested and he is a member of the Fish and Game Association of Ulster county. Through his connection with the Ulster County Farm Bureau he is furthering the interests of the agriculturalists of this district and as an energetic member of the Kingston Chamber of Commerce he has been instrumental in exploiting the advantages and attractions of the city and in securing for it new industries. He has membership in the Rip Van Winkle Golf & Country Club of Palenville, the Automobile Club of Ulster county, and the Central Young Men's Christian Association of Kingston, and is vice president of the Craftsmen's Club of Kingston. In Masonry he has connection with Kingston Lodge, No. 10, F. & A. M.; Mount Horeb Chapter, No. 75, R. A. M.; Rondout Commandery, No. 52, K. T.; and Cyprus Temple of the Mystic Shrine

at Albany, New York. He also belongs to Clinton Chapter, No. 445, of the Order of the Eastern Star and to Judea Shrine, No. 12, of the White Shrine of Jerusalem at Kingston. His interests and activities have covered a wide range and have largely been directed into those channels through which flows the greatest and most permanent good to the greatest number, for the welfare of others has been paramount with Mr. Thomas.

The elder son, Arthur E. Thomas, was born in Kingston, June 13, 1877, and after acquiring a public school education became a piano tuner but abandoned that occupation for the printing business with his father, assisting him in the conduct of the cutting department of the business for several years. Since the father's death Arthur E. and Herbert E. Thomas have conducted the printing establishment on a partnership basis, specializing in job work. The latest printing machinery has been installed, enabling them to turn out artistic work of the highest grade, and they also do book binding. The second floor of their building is utilized for the bindery and its owners enjoy the distinction of having one of the most complete plants of the kind in the Hudson River Valley.

Arthur E. Thomas was married to Miss Eleanor Stewart, of Kingston, and they have three children, Edward B., Clarence and Eleanor. Like his brother, Mr. Thomas has membership in St. James Church and both have contributed liberally toward its support. They are worthy sons of an honored sire and stand deservedly high in public esteem.

JOHN STEPHEN MALONE, M. D.

The prestige of the medical fraternity of Poughkeepsie is ably upheld by Dr. John Stephen Malone, a surgeon of high standing. He was born in New York city on the 30th of September, 1894, and in a direct line is descended from colonial and Revolutionary ancestry. He is a son of John and Emily (Keeler) Malone, the former a native of Syracuse and the latter of Clermont, New York.

Reared in the eastern metropolis, Dr. Malone attended the public schools and his classical education was acquired in the College of the City of New York, which awarded him the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1915. His scientific studies were pursued in Syracuse University, from which he received the M. D. degree, and this was followed by service as interne at Bellevue Hospital and the New York Lying-in Hospital in New York city and post-graduate work in surgery in various hospitals and clinics. Since locating in Poughkeepsie he has established a large practice, due to his knowledge and skill, and is a member of the surgical staff of Vassar Hospital. He maintains his office at 81 Market street.

Dr. Malone was united in marriage to Miss Beatrice Dunbar, who was born in Kingston, New York, and is prominent in the social life of Poughkeepsie. The Doctor is an Episcopalian in religious faith and fraternally he is a Mason. He belongs to the Dutchess-Putnam Medical Society and has ever kept in close touch with the trend of modern professional thought, research and investigation.

JOHN HORTON MORRISON

Coming to Middletown from the south, John Horton Morrison has been a factor for progress here for more than thirty years, furthering the success of many business enterprises during that period, and is particularly well known as a manufacturer of leather. He was born in Montgomery, Orange county, New York, February 5, 1881, of Scotch and Irish ancestry in the paternal line, and is a descendant of John Morrison, who came to this country from Fyfeshire in 1740. The grandfather, Hamilton Morrison, was born in 1804, on the old Morrison homestead, and was a graduate of Union College. His son, William H. H. Morrison, a successful farmer, was the father of John H. Morrison, and was born in Montgomery, August 12, 1841. In young manhood he married Agnes Horton, who was born February 9, 1850, a daughter of Ray Horton, of Liberty Falls, New York.



John A. Morrison.

Barnabas Horton, the American progenitor of the family, was born in Mousely, England, and in 1633 crossed the Atlantic on the ship *Swallow*, settling in Southold, Long Island, where he resided until his death in 1680, when eighty years of age. He had brought his tombstone from England and was laid to rest in the old cemetery at Southold.

John H. Morrison obtained his elementary instruction in the Goodwill district school and in 1898 was graduated from the Montgomery high school, also attending a business college in that year. In 1899 he went to Tennessee to take a position in the Chattanooga office of the United States Leather Company, removing later in the same year to Middlesboro, Kentucky, and in the winter of 1900 came to Middletown, New York, as assistant secretary and treasurer of The Howell-Hinchman Company. In 1905 he formed the Madden & Morrison File Company, with the late Franklin M. Madden as a partner, and continued active in the management of that concern until 1922, when it was sold. In Oklahoma he has been identified with various lines of business and in his native state his activities have also covered a wide scope. He has valuable holdings in Long Island real estate, is at the head of a large leather business in Middletown and is also the owner of the Johnson Leather Company of New York. For twenty years he has served on the directorate of the Orange County Trust Company of Middletown, is also a director of the First Merchants National Bank & Trust Company of Middletown and of many other corporations. His opinions and his advice are eagerly sought along both business and financial lines and his keen perception, his sound judgment and broad grasp of affairs insure the value of his counsel.

In Grace Church, Middletown, on the 14th of May, 1904, was solemnized the marriage of John H. Morrison and Christine Morison Myers, who was born in this city August 23, 1880, and is a great-granddaughter of Chrustena Morison, who came to America from Scotland in 1785. Mr. and Mrs. Morrison have three sons and two daughters: Ray Hamilton, a resident of Winston-Salem, North Carolina; Rosamond Ogden, who was

graduated from Vassar College with the class of 1929; John H., Jr., a student at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor; Prudence Gwyn, who is pursuing her education in the Wykeham Rise School at Washington, Connecticut; and Eugene Horton, who is attending the public schools of Middletown.

Mr. Morrison's military record covers active service with the New York National Guard as a member of the First Infantry from 1902 until 1916, when he became a first lieutenant in the infantry division and was placed on the reserve list of officers. He is a member of Grace Episcopal Church and has been allied with the republican party since age conferred upon him the right of franchise. In political circles of this district he is an influential factor and in 1924 was appointed a presidential elector for Calvin Coolidge. Mr. Morrison has ever been actuated by an earnest desire to promote and uphold the best interests of Middletown and served on its board of health for three years. He has a life membership in the Middletown Lodge of Elks and belongs to all the Masonic bodies, from the blue lodge to the shrine. Genial and companionable by nature, he enjoys the social side of life and is a member of the Army & Navy Club of New York, the Middletown Club, the Congressional Country Club of Washington, D. C., the Orange County Golf Club and the Port Jervis Country Club. Alert, enterprising and resourceful, Mr. Morrison has converted his opportunities into tangible assets and the high place which he holds in the esteem of his fellowmen is the direct outcome of the ability which he has displayed in business, his loyalty in citizenship and his strict honesty.

WILLIAM A. MACAREVEY

William A. MacArevey, one of the younger representatives of the legal profession in Albany, was born in Troy, New York, February 8, 1900, and is a son of William J. and Helen C. (Sheehan) MacArevey. The grandfather, Patrick MacArevey, came to this country from Ireland and engaged in the baking

business in Troy, New York, where his demise occurred. He married Catherine Nugent, who was born in Troy and always resided in that city. Their son, William J. MacArevey, was born in Troy in February, 1875, and with his brothers, John and James, aided the father in the conduct of the bakery. Later William J. MacArevey served as purchasing agent for Albany county but maintained his home in Troy until his death on the 19th of November, 1927. He voted with the democratic party and was a devout member of the Catholic Church. His widow was born in Troy in August, 1877, and still resides there. Her parents, John and Ellen C. (Shaughnessy) Sheehan, were natives of Ireland but lived for many years in Troy, where both passed away. Mr. Sheehan was a well known foundryman of that city and also engaged in merchandising. His daughter, Mrs. Helen C. MacArevey, is the mother of three children: John, who married Aurella Stebbins, of Green Island, New York, and is now engaged in the practice of law at Poughkeepsie, where he is attorney for the Employers Liability Assurance Corporation; Mrs. Charles Fraser, of Troy; and William A. MacArevey.

The last named attended the University School in Bridgeport, Connecticut, and completed a course in the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute of New York in 1922. Continuing his studies in the Albany Law School, Mr. MacArevey was graduated with the class of 1926 and in July, 1927, was admitted to the bar. For two years thereafter he was an insurance adjuster and attorney for the Fidelity & Casualty Company of New York and in 1929 located in Albany, where he has since practiced under his own name. Well equipped to cope with the intricacies of the law, he efficiently handles the legal interests intrusted to his charge and his clientele is steadily increasing in volume and importance.

During the World war Mr. MacArevey responded to the call to arms and was in training at Fort Meyer, Virginia, from April 17, 1917, until the 1st of July of that year. Unbiased in his political views, he supports the candidate whom he considers best qualified for office regardless of party ties, and in religious belief he is a Roman Catholic. He is a member of the Albany County

Bar Association and his college fraternities are Gamma Eta Gamma and Kappa Beta Phi. He maintains his office at 93 State street, Albany, but his home is at 590 Fourth avenue in Troy. In his leisure hours he enjoys motoring but has few interests outside of his profession and his close application, his thoroughness and keen powers of perception insure his continuous progress as a lawyer.

CHARLES B. STAATS

Charles B. Staats has been closely associated with the business of the E. W. Howell Company, Inc., for nearly five and a half decades, rising from a humble position to the office of president, and is one of the best known coal dealers in Albany. Born in this city September 21, 1864, he is a son of John L. Staats and a great-grandson of John Lott Staats, who was born in the old home of the family at the corner of State and Pearl streets in Albany. The father of Charles B. Staats was born in Albany, May 21, 1842, and passed away in this city on the 12th of December, 1911, when sixty-nine years of age. In local business circles he long figured prominently as one of the officers of Charles E. Bleecker & Company and in civic affairs he was active as excise commissioner under Mayor Charles E. Bleecker. Mr. Staats gave his political allegiance to the democratic party and was an earnest member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church. In his youth he participated in the struggle between the north and the south, fighting valiantly for the preservation of the Union, and in days of peace he was equally loyal and patriotic. His widow, Mrs. Christina B. (Robbins) Staats, was born in Albany, May 25, 1843, and has reached the venerable age of eighty-seven years. Her father, John S. Robbins, was born in Hoosick, Rensselaer county, New York, and for several years engaged in the hat and fur business in Albany, where his demise occurred. The mother, Mary (Miller) Robbins, was also a native of Rensselaer county and passed away in Albany.

Charles B. Staats attended private schools and the Boys Academy in Albany and when the family went to California he obtained a situation as cash boy in the Great I. X. L. Auction House at San Francisco, where he worked for two years. Afterward he continued his education in the east, pursuing his studies in Homer Academy at Homer, New York, for about a year, and then returned to Albany. On the 19th of December, 1881, he entered the employ of E. W. Howell, a local coal merchant, starting as office boy and progressing with the business. In 1890 he was taken into the firm and the style of E. W. Howell & Company was then assumed. Another change occurred in 1898, when the name of the E. W. Howell Company, Inc., was adopted, and Mr. Staats was then made manager. In 1899, at the death of Mr. Howell, he became president and for thirty-two years has controlled the business, which has grown and prospered during that period. He sells only to the retail trade and has the wisdom, the foresight and the capacity for detail of the true executive. He is also president of the Coal Merchants Mutual Insurance Company of Albany and president of the New York State Coal Merchants Association, while formerly he represented the Anthracite Consumers Equipment Corporation of Albany in the same capacity.

On the 30th of January, 1895, Mr. Staats was married to Miss Jean Vroman, a native of Albany and a daughter of Sanford Vroman, now deceased, who was here engaged in the hay and feed business. To Mr. and Mrs. Staats was born a daughter, Bess K., who was graduated from the Albany Academy for Girls and from the State Normal College. She is the wife of the Rev. Harry H. Hall, rector of Christ Episcopal Church at Needham, Massachusetts, and they now have a son, Charles Edwin Hall.

Interested in military affairs, Mr. Staats joined the New York National Guard and saw active service in the Spanish-American war, winning a captain's commission. During the World war he furthered the sale of Liberty bonds, devoting considerable time to work of a patriotic nature. He belongs to

Palmer Camp of the Spanish-American War Veterans and to the Naval & Military Order of Spanish-American War Veterans. He is a vestryman of Trinity Episcopal Church, while Mrs. Staats has membership in St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Mr. Staats votes with the democratic party but has no political aspirations, preferring to discharge the duties of citizenship in a private capacity. The Albany Chamber of Commerce numbers him among its influential members and he is also identified with the Albany Club, the Rotary Club and the Fort Orange Club. He resides at 595 Hudson avenue and his office is located at 380 Madison avenue. Honest, industrious and purposeful, Mr. Staats has made his way in the world, achieving prosperity by methods which neither seek nor require disguise, and his standing as a business man is an enviable one.

FRANK B. HOWARD

Entering the field of advertising by the way of newspaper work, Frank B. Howard has been for many years closely identified with publicity and advertising in Poughkeepsie, his native city. Born in 1871, he is descended on his father's side from John Howard, who came from England and settled in Duxbury, Massachusetts, in 1643, and on his mother's side he is descended from Edmund Fanning, an Irish refugee, who settled in Stonington, Connecticut, about 1660. He is also descended, on his mother's side, through marriages in the Colonial Period, from the well known Nantucket families of Coffin, Folger and Swain.

Mr. Howard's father, Henry Roland Howard, as an employe, came to Poughkeepsie with John P. Adriance, when the latter moved the Buckeye Mower and Reaper Works from Worcester, Massachusetts, to Poughkeepsie about 1862. Here Henry R. Howard married Emily Wood Fanning, daughter of William A. and Keziah Fanning. Mr. Fanning, who died in 1886, was a well known rope manufacturer of Poughkeepsie and was for two terms county clerk of Dutchess county. He learned rope-making

from his father, who went from Nantucket to the Brooklyn Navy Yard and was there in charge of making the rope for United States naval vessels that were fitted out in that yard in the early part of the 19th century.

Mrs. Fanning, grandmother of Mr. Howard, was the daughter of Robert Barclay Fanning, who migrated from Nantucket to Poughkeepsie about 1815, at a time when there was considerable migration from Nantucket to various towns in the Hudson Valley. While the seafaring men from Nantucket engaged in a movement which it was hoped would establish extensive whaling ports in Poughkeepsie and other towns on the Hudson River, Robert Fanning, who was a builder, naturally followed the line of his trade and was the builder of many residences and business buildings between 1815 and 1840 in Poughkeepsie. His grandmother, Keziah Folger, the wife of John Coffin, was a cousin of Benjamin Franklin, the mother of Franklin and Keziah Folger's mother having been sisters. Robert Fanning was killed by falling from a log cabin which he was erecting in Poughkeepsie for the Tippecanoe celebration in the William Henry Harrison campaign of 1840.

Frank B. Howard's grandparents, Sanford Howard and Matilda Williams Howard, were prominent nineteenth century writers for agricultural newspapers in Massachusetts, New York and later in Michigan, and from them he inherited tendencies which, in boyhood, interested him in newspaper work. He published an amateur newspaper while attending the public schools of Poughkeepsie, from which he moved into professional newspaper work at the age of seventeen.

From 1888 to about 1910 Mr. Howard was city editor of the Evening Enterprise of Poughkeepsie, and during most of that period he was correspondent for the Associated Press and New York and Chicago newspapers, reporting the most important affairs of the Hudson River Valley north and south of Poughkeepsie. Since 1908 he has devoted himself to a specialized line of advertising, which has enabled him through an understanding of his subject and close application to work to share in the pros-

perity of the business houses and individuals who have been and are his clients in the field which he serves. He is recognized as one who is qualified to speak with authority on the subject of advertising.

In 1915 Mr. Howard married Miss Sarah J. Taylor, daughter of William and Margaret Taylor, old residents of Poughkeepsie. Mrs. Howard died in 1930 without issue.

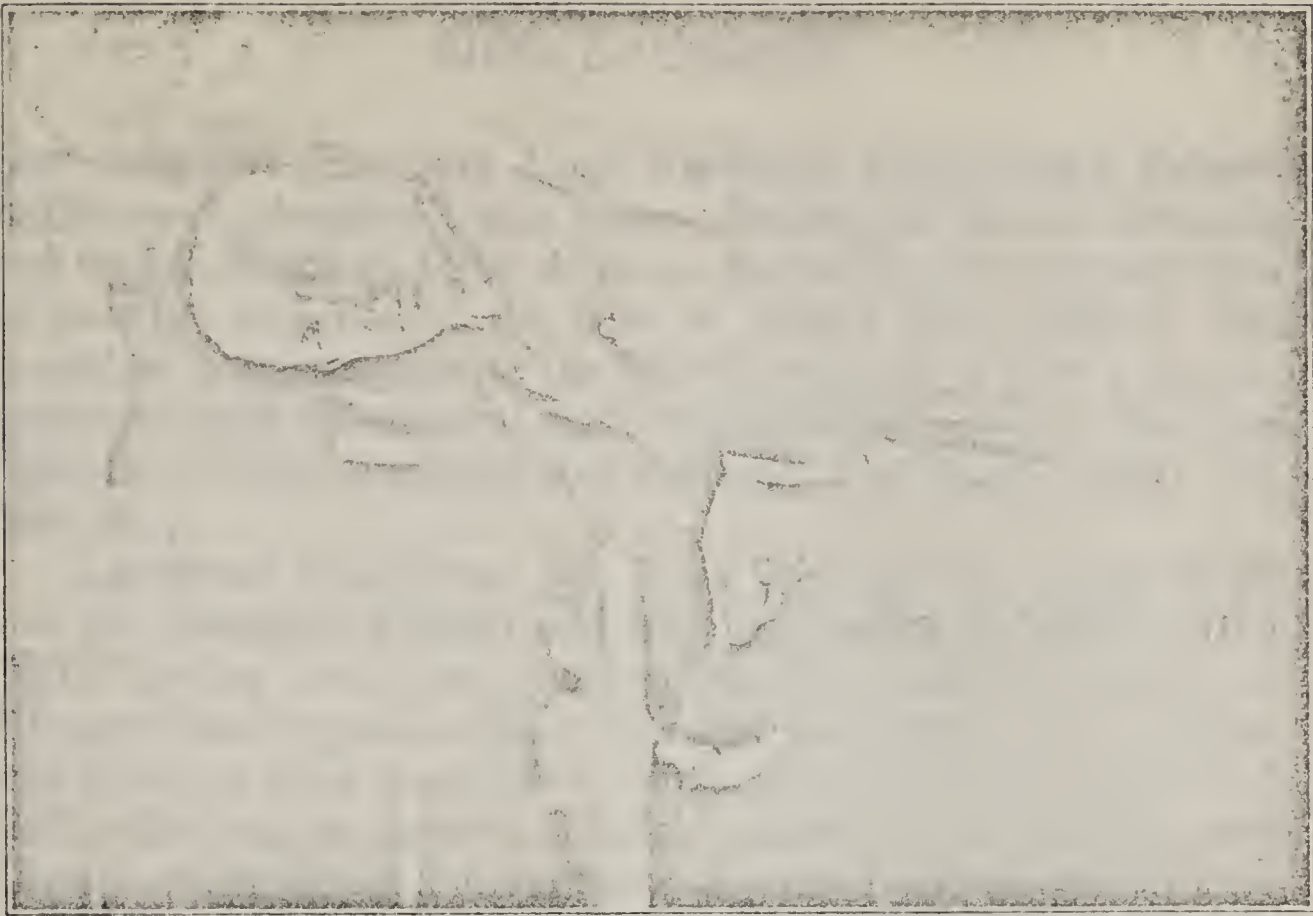
Mr. Howard is a member of many of the organizations of a social and civic character in Poughkeepsie. His fraternal connections are Masonic, including all of the bodies from the Blue Lodge to the Shrine.

GEORGE WASHINGTON PRATT

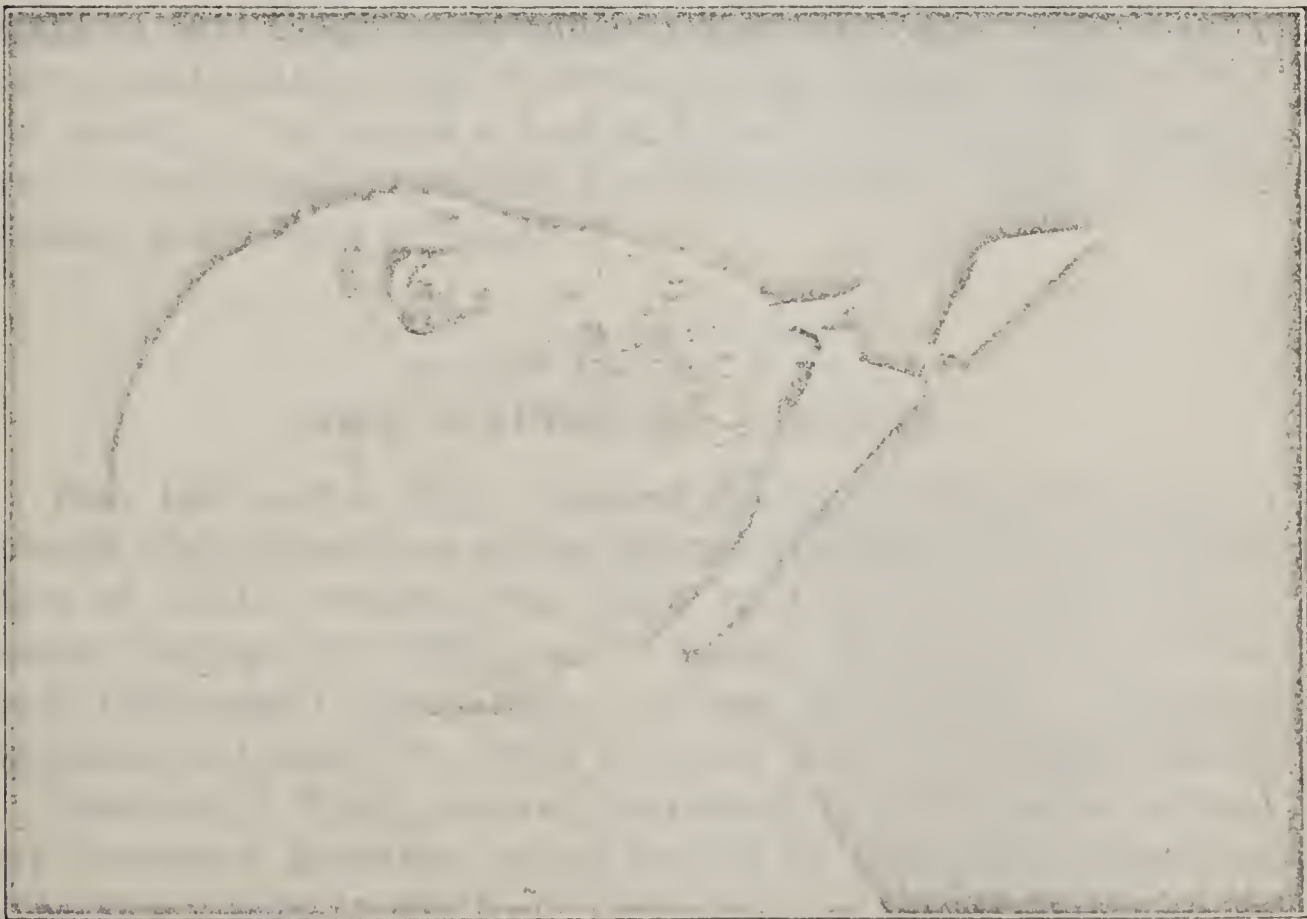
The late George W. Pratt of Highland, whose death occurred on May 4, 1931, when he was in his ninety-first year, long figured prominently in business and public affairs in southern Ulster. He was born in the town of Lloyd, formerly New Paltz, September 22, 1840, his parents being Alden J. and Derenda (Ransom) Pratt, and was of English lineage. The family ancestry is traced back to Mathew Pratt, who was born about the year 1600 and probably came to this country in 1623.

George W. Pratt began his education in the district school and later attended the Fort Plain Academy for two years, while for a similar period he was a student at Claverack Institute. Upon attaining his majority he joined Philip Le Roy in the operation of a flour mill and at the end of a year became sole owner of the business, which he conducted alone until 1889, when he admitted his son, Harcourt J., to a partnership. They engaged in the sale of lumber, coal and grain and the manufacture of fruit packages. In 1901 Mr. Pratt founded the First National Bank of Highland and served as its president until his death.

On December 21, 1865, Mr. Pratt married Adelaide Harcourt, a daughter of Matthew T. and Sarah (Deyo) Harcourt, both of whom passed away in 1893. To Mr. and Mrs. Pratt were born



HON. HARCOURT J. PRATT



GEORGE W. PRATT

four children: Harcourt J., of Highland, whose sketch follows in this work; Jennie C., who became the wife of Homer Howgate and died in January, 1894; Alden J., who died when a young man of twenty; and Bessie, the wife of Homer Ray Oldfield, who served as a colonel during the World war and is now a major, connected with the general staff at Washington, D. C. The two children of this marriage are Adelaide and Homer Ray Oldfield, Jr.

A stalwart republican, Mr. Pratt cast his first presidential vote for Abraham Lincoln and was long active in behalf of the party, serving for fifteen years on the county central committee. His activities in public affairs included service as a town trustee and also as a town supervisor, which office he filled in 1872 and 1873. He was an earnest, helpful member of the Presbyterian Church at Highland and for several years was president of its board of trustees. Fraternally he was a Mason, belonging to Adonai Lodge at Highland, which presented him with a medal signifying a membership of fifty years. In referring to the death of Mr. Pratt, a contemporary writer said: "He lived a pure, unostentatious life of service to his friends, neighbors and his country. He leaves a host of friends with a great sense of loss in their hearts over his passing and with a deep sense of pride in a life lived so greatly."

HON. HARCOURT J. PRATT

Hon. Harcourt J. Pratt, member of congress from the twenty-seventh district and one of the foremost business men and financiers of Ulster county, was born in Lloyd township, Ulster county, October 23, 1866, a son of George Washington and Adelaide (Harcourt) Pratt, both of whom are deceased. Further reference to George W. Pratt is found in the preceding sketch.

Harcourt J. Pratt received his education in the public schools and Claverack Institute, which he left at the age of seventeen to become a page in the New York house of representatives. A

year later he was appointed a clerk's messenger in the state senate—a post which he filled for six years. In 1886 he began the manufacture of fruit containers at Highland and was thus engaged until 1889, when he joined his father in the coal, lumber and grain business under the firm name of George W. Pratt & Son. This style is still retained and during the fifty-two years of its existence the business has grown and prospered, becoming one of the largest establishments of the kind in the Hudson River Valley, and has been expanded to include plants at Kingston, Marlboro, Hudson, Beacon and Poughkeepsie. Harcourt J. Pratt succeeded his father as head of the firm and in the development of its interests has manifested clear vision, mature judgment and marked business ability. He is also an astute financier and in 1931 succeeded his father as president of the First National Bank of Highland.

In 1890 Mr. Pratt was married to Miss Mary Hasbrouck, a daughter of Captain J. D. B. Hasbrouck, of Humeston, Iowa, and they became the parents of four children. George W., the eldest, was born December 4, 1891, and in 1910 was graduated from Rutgers College. He is successfully managing the chain of lumberyards owned by the firm of George W. Pratt & Son and is a director of the First National Bank of Highland. While a college student he joined the Delta Phi fraternity and he also belongs to the Kingston Club, the Dutchess Golf & Country Club of Poughkeepsie, the Twaalfskill Golf Club, the Masonic fraternity and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. On the 8th of October, 1913, he married Miss Florence Deyo and they have one child, Josephine, born August 30, 1915. Augusta, the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Pratt, was born December 15, 1895, and was married to Olaf Sundstrom, then a resident of Highland but now engaged in the garage business at Marlboro, New York. During the World war he served in the aviation branch of the United States Army, winning a lieutenant's commission. Mrs. Augusta Sundstrom passed away in 1925, leaving three children, Mary Jane, Collie and Sallie. Jane, the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harcourt J. Pratt, was born July 15, 1897, and is the wife

of Walter S. Betts, of Marlboro, who is engaged in the real estate business. In 1917 he enlisted in the United States Army, was sent to Camp Taylor near Louisville, Kentucky, and was there at the time of the signing of the armistice. The two children of this marriage are Barbara and Nancy Betts. Rowena Pratt, who completes the family, was born December 8, 1903, and is the wife of Le Grand Haviland, of Highland, who is associated with the Electrical Research Products Company.

Since age conferred upon him the right of franchise Mr. Pratt has been an adherent of the republican party and his first public office was that of town supervisor, to which he was called in 1895, while in the following year he was again the successful candidate for that position. In the fall of 1896 he was elected to the general assembly of New York from the second Ulster district and thoroughly justified the confidence reposed in him by his constituents, furthering much constructive legislation while a member of the house. Elected to the sixty-seventh congress, he took his seat in that body March 4, 1925, and is now serving for the fourth term. During his tenure of office he has shown a broad comprehension of the country's needs, strongly opposing all measures which he deems inimical to its interests, and his endorsement of a bill has ever been an indication of his firm belief in its efficacy as a factor in good government. Firm in his convictions, Mr. Pratt has never lacked the courage to defend them and is recognized as a man of strict integrity whom neither fear nor favor can swerve from the course dictated by conscience, honor and good judgment.

CHARLES W. MAXWELL

Working along constructive lines, Charles W. Maxwell has occupied the presidency of the Albany Gravel Company, Inc., since 1928 and also has executive connection with other large business enterprises of this city. He was born in Wilmington, Delaware, December 9, 1898, and is a son of Fred E. and Lizzie

Murphy (Black) Maxwell. The grandfather in the paternal line was Dr. James Maxwell, a successful physician, who practiced for many years in Clearfield county, Pennsylvania, where he remained until his demise. His son, Fred E. Maxwell, was born in Clearfield and is now following the profession of a construction engineer in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. He votes with the republican party and is a Presbyterian in religious belief. His wife was born in Chester county, Pennsylvania, June 9, 1876, a daughter of James A. and Mary (McHenry) Murphy, the latter a native of the same county, and there both Mr. and Mrs. Murphy passed away. During the Civil war he was a Union soldier and afterward engaged in farming.

His grandson, Charles W. Maxwell, obtained his early education in the common schools of Wilmington, Delaware, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and Rahway, New Jersey, while in Trenton, New Jersey, he attended high school and the Rider Business College. Following the completion of his commercial course he became a bookkeeper for the Clawson Company, of Philadelphia, remaining with them for two years. He was next identified with the engineering department of the DuPont Company of Wilmington and was sent by the corporation to various parts of the country. With his arrival in Albany in January, 1922, Mr. Maxwell became associated with the Richard Hopkins Company, road contractors, and a year later was elected secretary and treasurer of the Albany Gravel Company, Inc., which was formed January 1, 1923. For five years he continued in these dual capacities and since January 1, 1928, has been president and a director of the Albany Gravel Company, Inc., instituting well devised plans for its growth and prosperity. In addition he is secretary and treasurer of M. R. Ingraham, Inc., of Albany, a director of the Ready Mix & Supply Company, and is also associated with Richard Hopkins, engaged in road contracting here.

On the 12th of July, 1921, Mr. Maxwell was married in Buffalo, New York, to Miss Florence Hazel, a native of Madisonburg, Pennsylvania. Her parents, Amon and Carrie (Schafer) Hazel, are now living in Boalsburg, Pennsylvania, where the

father is engaged in educational work. Liberally educated, Mrs. Maxwell is a graduate of the Rebersburg high school, the Lock Haven Normal School of Pennsylvania and Cedar Crest College for Women. She also attended the Pennsylvania State College and prior to her marriage was engaged in teaching. Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell have three daughters: Joanna Hazel, who was born November 12, 1922; Patricia, born November 23, 1924; and Jane Maxine, born May 11, 1927.

The family reside on Bridge street in Slingerlands, Albany county, and Mr. Maxwell's office is on Pearl street, near the Loudonville road, in Albany. He attends the Methodist Episcopal Church and his wife is a member of the Reformed Church and also of the Parent-Teacher Association. Politically he is a stalwart republican but has never sought office as a reward for party fealty, feeling that his business interests require his undivided attention. He is an influential member of the Albany Chamber of Commerce and is serving as president of the Empire State Sand & Gravel Association—a fact indicative of his standing in his particular field of activity. From the time he located here Mr. Maxwell has been closely and prominently associated with the work of road building and Albany accounts him a valuable addition to her citizenship.

ROBERT GORDON GROVES

Robert G. Groves, county attorney and one of the talented members of the Kingston bar, was born in this city April 4, 1891. His grandfather, Robert Groves, was the American progenitor of the family. A native of Clougheen, Ireland, he left the Emerald isle in his youth, hoping to better his fortune in the new world, and settled in Rondout, now a part of Kingston, where he taught school for many years. His son, John J. Groves, the father of Robert G. Groves, was born in Kingston and as a young man entered the employ of the Cornell Steamboat Company at Newburgh, New York, continuing in the service of that corporation

until his death on the 11th of June, 1901. His wife, Elizabeth (Fordë) Groves, was born in Newton-Hamilton, County Armagh, Ireland, and at the age of twelve years came to the United States with her parents, who settled in Ulster county, New York. To Mr. and Mrs. John J. Groves were born ten children, of whom four died in infancy, and six are now living, all being natives of Kingston. Emma, the widow of Hazard Swart, of this city, became the mother of two children, one of whom is deceased, and the other, Mary Swart, is now Mrs. Joseph Lindsey. Elizabeth was married to Albert Terwilliger and they reside at Panama, in the canal zone. They have two children: Ruth, the wife of Samuel Gottlich, of Corpus Christi, Texas; and Albert, of Panama, who married Edna Blank and has a son, Albert, Jr. Anna Groves is Mrs. Edgar E. Becker, of Kingston. John J., captain of a Hudson river boat, also lives in Kingston. Harry F., who won the degree of LL. B. at Union University at Albany, New York, in 1903, was admitted to the bar in the same year and is now connected with the legal department of the Standard Transportation Company. He married Miss Emily Belch, of Saugerties, New York.

The youngest son, Robert G. Groves, enrolled as a pupil in Ulster Academy and his advanced studies were pursued in Union University, from which he was graduated in 1914 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. In the same year he was admitted to the bar and at once began his career as an attorney in Rondout but soon afterward enlisted, joining the United States Naval Reserve force. After a few months of training at section base No. 6 at Brooklyn, New York, he was transferred to the third naval district headquarters in New York city but remained there for only a short time, having been assigned to service on the U. S. S. Joyance, S. P. No. 72, and was on patrol duty until the end of the war. He was mustered out December 8, 1918, and resumed the work of his profession, locating in Kingston. He is engaged in general practice and has his office at 260 Fair street, in the post office building. Well versed in statute and precedent, he presents his arguments with clearness, logic and

force and is regarded as a formidable opponent in forensic combat. From 1921 until 1924 he served as special judge, making a creditable record in that connection. In 1927 he was appointed county attorney and has met every requirement of the office, which he still occupies.

On the 17th of October, 1929, Mr. Groves was married to Miss Jennie Cornelius Fisher, who was born in Friesland, Holland, and after the father's death came to America with her mother. Mr. and Mrs. Groves have a son, Robert Gordon, Jr., born March 16, 1931. Mr. Groves is a stalwart republican, unwavering in his allegiance to the party. Reared an Episcopalian, he has always adhered to that faith and has served as senior warden of Holy Cross Church. A York Rite Mason and a Shriner, he belongs to Rondout Lodge, No. 343, F. & A. M., of which he is a past master; Mount Horeb Chapter, No. 75, R. A. M.; Ancient City Council, No. 21, R. & S. M.; past master Rondout Commandery, K. T., No. 52; and Cyprus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Albany. His name also appears on the membership rolls of the Kingston Club, the American Legion and the Ulster County Bar Association. Studious and energetic, Mr. Groves has steadily advanced in the field of professional service and in his city and county he has a wide circle of warm friends, who esteem him for his personal worth as well as for what he has accomplished.

JOHN ALLING CARD, M. D.

Many of Poughkeepsie's native sons have gained prominence in the medical profession and among the number is Dr. John Alling Card, a successful pediatrician. He was born May 20, 1876, a son of Silas Card and a grandson of Edson and Mary (Miller) Card, who lived in Pleasant Valley, Dutchess county. Their family numbered six children: Albert M., Charles M., Silas, Charlotte, George and Edson. Silas Card was born on the home farm in Stanford township, Dutchess county, and in young manhood married Eva Belle Alling, a daughter of John

Thompson and Frances (Mabbett) Alling, the later a native of Mabbettville, Dutchess county, named for the family. Mr. and Mrs. Alling had three children: Ira M., Mary E. Doughty and Eva Belle, who became Mrs. Silas Card. By her marriage she had five children, of whom one died in infancy. The others are: John Alling; Mary E., a teacher in the public schools of Poughkeepsie; George H. and Albert N.

After mastering the branches of learning taught in the grammar and high schools of his native city Dr. Card entered Columbia University and completed his education in the New York University Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1898 with the M. D. degree. His first experience in the work of his profession came to him as an interne in the hospital on Blackwell's Island and in 1898 he returned to Poughkeepsie, where he has since practiced as a specialist in pediatrics. An expert in his particular field, he has successfully performed many difficult operations and his services are in constant demand.

Fraternally Dr. Card is a Mason, identified with the lodge, chapter, council, commandery and shrine. In politics he is a republican and for five terms, or fifteen years, has been county coroner, his long retention in the office testifying to the high quality of his service. He belongs to the Dutchess-Putnam Medical Society, to the New York State Medical Society, which he represents as speaker of the house of delegates, and is also a member of the American Medical Association. He has a keen sense of his responsibilities as a physician and at all times has made his professional duties the foremost thing in his life.

FRANK J. LE FEVRE

For more than five and a half decades members of the Le Fevre family have controlled the destiny of the Huguenot National Bank of New Paltz and Frank J. Le Fevre is proving a worthy successor of his father in the office of president, following a policy which makes for stability and for expansion and prog-



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ress. Like his father, he has served in both the state and national halls of legislation and his achievements have brought additional prestige to an honored name. He was born November 30, 1874, in New Paltz, where members of the family have lived since its settlement by the Huguenots in 1668, bearing an important part in the work of development and upbuilding and ever manifesting an unselfish devotion to the general good.

His father, Hon. Jacob Lefever, was born in this village April 20, 1830, and resided here throughout his life except during the period of his public service in the state and national capitals. His home was on the farm of his ancestors and came to him in direct line of descent from Jean, son of Simon Le Fevre, the patentee. Jacob Lefever was a man of great energy and activity and of marked public-spirit, ever ready to give not only of his time but his means to assist any worthy project in which he became interested. The cause of education always found in him a strong advocate and for a number of years he was a trustee of the New Paltz Academy and one of the directors of the New Paltz Normal School. His personality was an inspiration to progress and his contribution to the business development of this district was noteworthy. During the construction of its line he became a director of the Wallkill Valley Railroad Company and he was also vice president of the Poughkeepsie Trust Company, and a director and vice president of the Dutchess Insurance Company. He was likewise vice president of the New Paltz Savings Bank and served for over thirty years as president of the Huguenot National Bank of New Paltz. His mental alertness and broad grasp of affairs enabled him to readily discern the difficulties as well as the possibilities and opportunities of a business situation and he carefully avoided the former while utilizing the latter to the fullest extent. His activities in the field of public service were equally important and valuable. During 1861 and 1862 he was a supervisor of his town and from 1863 until 1867 he was an assemblyman. He was a delegate to the national convention in 1888 and represented his district in congress from 1892 until 1896. He espoused the moral side of every issue and his

influence was always on the side of constructive legislation. Mr. Lefever was a director of the Huguenot Memorial Society and a member of the Holland Society. Of kindly nature and high principles, he led an exemplary life and his death on the 4th of February, 1905, at the age of seventy-five years, occasioned deep and widespread regret.

In young manhood Mr. Lefever had married Miss Ann Amelia Woolsey, a daughter of Elijah Woolsey, and they became the parents of six children; two died young, and George passed away in 1928. He attended the State Normal School and Cornell University. Albert, the second son, pursued his education in the State Normal School, the Riverview Military Academy and the Claverack School and still makes his home here. The daughter, Catherine Du Bois, completed her education at Vassar, and is the wife of Dr. John Wilson Poucher, a leading physician of Poughkeepsie.

Frank J. Le Fevre, who completes the family, attended the New Paltz Academy, the State Normal School and Spencerian Business College at Washington, D. C. Since 1897 he has been continuously connected with the bank, succeeding his father to the office of president, which he has occupied for more than a quarter of a century. He is a capable executive and financier and under his administration the strong and reliable institution which he heads has continued to grow and prosper. In addition he is a trustee of the New Paltz Savings Bank, a director of the Poughkeepsie Trust Company and a director of the United States Fire Insurance Company of New York city.

For generations members of the Le Fevre family have been active in the work of the Dutch Reformed Church and Frank J. Le Fevre has served as one of its deacons and elders, contributing liberally of his time, energy and means to the maintenance of the church. He is a member of Adonai Lodge, No. 718, F. & A. M., and has passed through all the chairs in New Paltz Lodge, No. 565, I. O. O. F., and in New Paltz Lodge, No. 162, Knights of Pythias. His interest in agricultural and educational advancement is indicated in his connection with Huguenot Grange,

No. 1028, and with the New Paltz Normal School, of which he is vice president. He is also vice president of the Huguenot Memorial House, vice president of the Ulster County Historical Society, a member of the New York State Historical Association, a past vice president of the Holland Society and a member of the Kingston Club. While not a politician in the commonly accepted sense of the term, Mr. Le Fevre is thoroughly appreciative of the duties and obligations as well as the privileges of citizenship and has rendered effective public service. In 1902 he was elected to the state senate from the twenty-fifth senatorial district, consisting of Ulster and Greene counties. During the Louisiana Purchase Exposition he was superintendent of the New York state building at St. Louis, Missouri, and while there was nominated for congress from the twenty-fourth district and elected to the fifty-ninth congress with little opposition.

Mr. Le Fevre was married on the 17th of February, 1908, to Miss Elizabeth Anderson, a daughter of George and Laura Anderson, and a graduate of the State Normal School at New Paltz.

FRED J. SPINNENWEBER

As the owner of a bus line and a taxicab business Fred J. Spinnenweber is prominently identified with transportation interests of Port Ewen, where he is also prospering as a dealer in electrical appliances, and he likewise fills the office of town clerk. He was born in Connelly, Ulster county, on Christmas day of 1890 and is a son of John Spinnenweber, a native of the same place. On coming to this country from Germany the paternal grandfather of Fred J. Spinnenweber settled in Connelly, New York, and there followed agricultural pursuits until his death. John Spinnenweber chose the career of a shipbuilder in early life and has always engaged in that line of work, becoming recognized as a master craftsman. When the World war was in progress he had charge of the Island dock activities of the Kingston

Shipbuilding Corporation and supervised the launching of the *Esopus*, a transport ship, which was christened by Miss Clara Spinnenweber, his daughter. The mother, who bore the maiden name of Bertha Vogt, was also born in Connelly and is a daughter of Fred and Hannah Vogt. Her parents are still living and her father is also identified with the business of shipbuilding. The great-grandfather of Mrs. Spinnenweber emigrated to the United States from Germany, settling at Grassy Point, New York, and later purchased land in the Connelly district, where he engaged in farming during the remainder of his life. Five children were born to Mr. and Mrs. John Spinnenweber: Bertha, the wife of Lyman Ellsworth, a carpenter, who has followed his trade in Port Ewen for several years; Victor, who married Miss May Heiser, of Kingston, and maintains his home in Port Ewen; Nicholas, a carpenter of Port Ewen, who married Catherine Miller, of Kingston, and has one child, Warren; Clara, the wife of Edward Moore, who is connected with the Ulster County Savings Institution and also resides in Port Ewen; and Fred J.

The last named pursued his studies in the public schools of Port Ewen, afterward working on Hudson river boats, and advancing to the position of pilot. He mastered the technicalities of navigation and became a captain, following the life of a mariner for six years. He then entered the taxicab business in Port Ewen and has found this a profitable and congenial field of endeavor. He owns and operates a line of buses between Rondout and Port Ewen and is also the proprietor of a large store, handling radios, refrigerators and other electrical appliances. Enterprising and energetic, he has constantly broadened the scope of his activities and carries forward to completion whatever he undertakes, for his carefully formulated plans have their basis in clear vision and sound judgment.

On the 11th of May, 1914, Mr. Spinnenweber was married to Miss Anna Schweigel, a native of Port Ewen and a daughter of Charles and Anna (Otto) Schweigel. Mr. and Mrs. Spinnenweber have five children: Kathleen, John, Virginia, Frederick and Ruth. The family are members of the Dutch Reformed

Church of Port Ewen and Mr. Spinnenweber is an influential factor in democratic circles of Ulster county. During the period of the World war he was active in the various drives, devoting much time to work of a patriotic nature. In the fall of 1929 he was elected town clerk for a term of two years, taking office January 1, 1930, and discharging his public duties with the thoroughness and efficiency which have characterized all of his business activities. He is a past grand of Port Ewen Lodge of the Knights of Pythias and also belongs to Kingston Lodge, No. 550, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and Rondout Lodge, No. 143, of the Masonic fraternity. Mr. Spinnenweber is a broadgauged man of marked ability and has many friends, whose esteem he has won and retained by reason of his high principles and sterling traits of character.

FRANK A. McNAMEE, JR.

Closely applying himself to the work of his profession, Frank A. McNamee, Jr., has established his position among the successful lawyers of Albany and he is also well known in political circles as one of the foremost representatives of the republican party in this section of the state. He was born in Albany, December 17, 1892, and is a son of Frank A. McNamee, Sr., also a native of this city. Here the father has long engaged in business as general agent of the Equitable Life Insurance Company, and at one time he was one of the water commissioners of Albany, while he also served on the civil service board. His wife, Mary (Prior) McNamee, was likewise born in this city and is now deceased.

Liberal educational advantages were accorded Frank A. McNamee, Jr., who was graduated from Albany Academy in 1911, and pursued his classical studies in Williams College at Williamstown, Massachusetts, where he won the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1915. He then matriculated in the Harvard Law School, which he attended until 1917, when he enlisted in the United

States Army, joining Battery A of the One Hundred and First Regiment of Field Artillery, attached to the Twenty-sixth Division. With this outfit he went to France and participated in all major engagements during the war, including the battle of Belleau Woods, where his gallantry in action won for him the Distinguished Service Cross. He spent two years overseas and in 1919 was honorably discharged from the service with the rank of captain, while he is now a lieutenant-colonel in the Officers Reserve Corps. Resuming his studies at the Harvard Law School, he there continued for part of a year and in 1921 was admitted to the bar. He then became associated with Visscher, Whalen, Loucks & Murphy, Albany attorneys, with whom he continued until the 1st of January, 1924, and has since been a member of the firm of Whalen, Murphy, McNamee & Creble, engaged in the general practice of law, with offices at 75 State street. In this connection Mr. McNamee has successfully handled important legal interests, manifesting keen powers of discernment in coping with intricate problems of the law, and he is also a director of the New York State National Bank.

On the 1st of July, 1930, Mr. McNamee was married to Mrs. Margaret (Walker) Stuart, a native of Albany and a graduate of the Albany Girls' Academy. She is a daughter of the late John E. Walker, who was one of the city's prominent bankers. Mr. McNamee is a vestryman of Trinity Episcopal Church, while his wife is active in the work of St. Paul's Episcopal Church and the Junior League. Keenly interested in politics, he is an influential factor in the state councils of the republican party and was a presidential elector in 1928. For nine years he was a member of the board of civil service commissioners and he stands for all that counts as an asset in public progress and community welfare. He is a director of Trinity Institute of Albany, a trustee of the Albany Hospital for Incurables and a trustee of the Albany Academy. He represents the Fort Orange Club in the capacity of president, is vice president of the Schuyler Meadows Club and also belongs to the Albany Country Club, the University Club of Albany, the Williams Club of New York, the

National Republican Club of New York, the Iroquois Club of Harvard College and the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity and was a member of Gargoyles at Williams College. His professional connections are with the Albany County, New York State and American Bar Associations. In his legal work he has ever been actuated by high standards of service and has won the confidence of the public as well as the esteem of his fellow practitioners.

WILLIAM A. KAERCHER

William A. Kaercher, attorney-at-law, engaged in general practice at Kingston, was born in Long Island city, Queens county, New York, July 29, 1900, and is a son of August J. Kaercher, who conducted a meat market in that city for several years. The father removed to Ulster county in 1919, establishing his home in Wawarsing, and there lived retired until his death in 1925. He was a son of Frederick Kaercher, who learned and followed the trade of a butcher in Germany, his native land, and on coming to America located in the lower end of New York city, where he was a retail dealer in meat for an extended period. His son, August J. Kaercher, assisted him in the conduct of the business and thus acquired a practical knowledge of the meat trade. The latter married Amelia Klein, who survives her husband. Mrs. Kaercher was born in Germany and when very young crossed the Atlantic with her parents, who came to the United States in 1870, following the Franco-Prussian war. Her father, who was a veteran of that conflict, was employed as a cooper and was also a rectifier of wines for many years in New York city. His daughter, Amelia Klein, was married on Long Island to August J. Kaercher and four children were born to them: Fredericka, who resides in the family home at Kingston; Harry E., who is employed as a salesman and also lives at home; William A.; and Alfred L., a high school pupil.

William A. Kaercher mastered the branches of learning

taught in the public schools of his native city, completing his high school course in 1917, and was next a student in the Brooklyn (N. Y.) Law School, from which he was graduated in 1921. Afterward he served a clerkship with Judge James Jenkins, of Kingston, entering his office at 260 Fair street in 1924, and in the following year was admitted to the bar. He continued with Judge Jenkins until the latter's death in March, 1927, and in July of that year formed a partnership with William D. Cunningham. They are still associated, occupying a suite of offices at 277 Fair street, and Mr. Kaercher is the junior member of the firm, which is accorded a liberal clientele. He is well versed in the minutiae of the law and accurately applies his knowledge to the points in litigation. His political allegiance is given to the democratic party and fraternally he is a Mason, belonging to Kingston Lodge, No. 10, F. & A. M. He has membership in the Ulster County Bar Association and is a capable young attorney, well qualified to cope with the intricacies of the law.

WILLIAM BAYARD VAN RENSSELAER

Long a dominant figure in financial circles of Albany, his native city, William Bayard Van Rensselaer influenced its development and progress to a notable extent and success in large measure was his. Forceful and resourceful, he never stopped short of the accomplishment of his purpose and throughout his career exemplified the fine mental and moral qualities which have ever been associated with the family name. Of the early Dutch colonial families, the Van Rensselaers were the first to acquire a great landed estate in America under the patroon system. They were the first after the English conquest of New Netherlands to have their possessions erected into a manor, antedating the Livingstons and Van Cortlandts in this particular, and they were the last to relinquish their ancient prescriptive rights and to part with their hereditary demesnes under the altered social and political conditions of modern times.



WILLIAM B. VAN RENSSELAER

Born October 4, 1856, William Bayard Van Rensselaer was the eldest son of Bayard and Laura (Reynolds) Van Rensselaer. He was a direct descendant of Kiliaen Van Rensselaer, of Amsterdam and Nijkerk, Holland and had not the laws of New York state prohibited the entailing of property, would have been the eleventh patroon and owner of the Rensselaerwyck property. In early boyhood he went to Europe with his parents and following his return to the United States he was a pupil in the Albany Boys School for a short time, later attending a private boarding school at Catskill, New York, for two years. At the age of thirteen he enrolled in St. Paul's School at Concord, New Hampshire, where he spent six years, and his classical education was completed in Harvard University, from which he was graduated in 1879. He attended the Harvard Law School for a year, continuing his studies in the office of Marcus T. and Leonard G. Hun, noted jurists of Albany, and was admitted to the bar. He practiced law for a time, abandoning the profession to take over the management of the Van Rensselaer estate, and later became identified with business and financial interests of Albany. In 1900 he was elected president of the Albany Savings Bank, of which his great-grandfather, Stephen Van Rensselaer (3) was the first president, serving from 1820 until 1839. William B. Van Rensselaer was also president of the Savings Bank Association of New York state, president of the Albany Terminal Warehouse, vice president of the New York State National Bank, vice president of the Union Trust Company of Albany, and a director of the Cohoes Company, which was incorporated in 1823 by his grandfather and supplied all the factories of Cohoes with water power. In business and financial affairs his judgment was sound and reliable and he made his services a vital element in the successful conduct of every institution which he represented.

On the 3d of November, 1880, Mr. Van Rensselaer, a direct descendant of Jeremias Van Rensselaer, was married to Miss Louisa Greenough Lane, who was born in Cambridge, Massachusetts, in 1860. Her father, Professor George Martin Lane, was born in Charlestown, Mass., in 1826 and died in Cambridge

in 1897. A prominent educator, he was head of the classical department of Harvard University for many years. The mother, Frances Eliza (Gardiner) Lane, was born on Shelter island, New York, in 1828 and her demise occurred in Cambridge in 1876.

Mr. Van Rensselaer was a member of All Saints Episcopal Cathedral, serving as a member of the chapter for many years, and shaped his conduct by its teachings. He was one of the organizers and charter members of the Fort Orange Club and also belonged to the Albany Country Club, the Reform Club, the University Club of New York city, the Historical and Art Club, the Albany Institute, the Historical and Art Society and the Holland Society. He held office in the Albany Chamber of Commerce and his keen interest in educational matters prompted his effective service on the board of trustees of the New York State Normal College and the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. As one of the foremost men of his city Mr. Van Rensselaer was chosen by Governor Morton as a member of the Albany Bi-Centennial Celebration committee and in 1909, through appointment of Governor Hughes, he served on the Hudson-Fulton committee. He was a man of wide interests and a strong advocate of everything that he deemed vital to the welfare of his city and state. His career was replete with achievement and was terminated September 25, 1909, when he was fifty-two years of age and in the full flush of his powers. An exemplary life endeared him to all with whom he was associated and his influence for good still survives. Mrs. Van Rensselaer resides at 385 State street, Albany, and in her home is preserved a large portion of the woodwork and furnishings of the Van Rensselaer Manor House pictured elsewhere in this work. She has membership in the Huguenot Society, the Society of Descendants of Lords of Colonial Manors, the Society of Colonial Dames, and Mohawk Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, of which she is a past regent. Her name also appears on the membership rolls of the Colony Club of New York city, the Schuyler Meadows Country Club, the Albany Country Club and the Lenox Club. Keenly

interested in welfare work, she is one of the directors of the Albany Boys Club, also served for many years as president of the board of managers of the Childs Hospital and president of the board of trustees of Schuyler Mansion. Mrs. Van Rensselaer is a member in perpetuity of the Metropolitan Museum. She has generously given her services for the public good, fostering civic, philanthropic and cultural movements of worth, and her graciousness, charm and tact have placed her with the social leaders of Albany.

WILLIAM H. CRAIG

During his entire business career, William H. Craig has been associated with the furniture business, and now, as president of the Schilling Furniture Company of Kingston, New York, he is manifesting in a capable manner his thorough training and knowledge of his trade. He is likewise known as an exemplary citizen in every sense of the term, and has been interested in every worthy civic movement and in the club and social life of his resident community. Mr. Craig was born at Easton, Pennsylvania, May 14, 1874, and is a son of Robert and Margaret (Tosch) Craig.

Robert Craig, the father, was born at Catasauqua, Pennsylvania. Early in life he took up railroad work with the Jersey Central line and became a passenger conductor, which position he held for twenty-five years, or until he retired. He was the oldest man then in the service of that railroad. Margaret (Tosch) Craig, the mother of William H., was a native of Easton, and she died in the year 1928. By her marriage, she was the mother of eight children, one of whom died in infancy, and the others all were educated in Allentown, Pennsylvania, with the exception of William H. The surviving children are: Margaret, who is the wife of Edward Jacoby, a clothing merchant of Allentown; Samuel, a resident of Kingston, New York, and superintendent of the Schilling Furniture Company for many years;

Hattie, who is the wife of R. Kincaid; James, a resident of Kingston, in the employ of the Schilling Furniture Company; Emma, who is the wife of Joseph Good, head of a business college at Hammond, Indiana, and they have a daughter, Elizabeth; May, wife of Robert Crosby, an expert accountant of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; and the subject of this biography. The latter's maternal grandfather was a soldier during the Civil war, and his paternal grandfather was a leading coal merchant in Scotland.

William H. Craig was educated in the grade and high schools of Easton, Pennsylvania, after which he attended Lafayette College. After completing his education, his first work was with his uncle, Thomas Tippin of New York city, who was engaged in the furniture manufacturing business, and in this connection he remained for a number of years. He then returned to Allentown, where he was identified with the furniture manufacturing business, and at the same time attended the Grand Rapids, Michigan, school of design. He remained in Allentown for a number of years, then went to Philadelphia and for three years was affiliated with the Pooley Furniture Manufacturing Company as a designer, after which he was connected with Hale & Kilburn as a designer in their furniture plant at Philadelphia, and later was with the National Furniture Company as designer and superintendent of their plant in New York city. While in the latter city, Mr. Craig became associated with the Schilling Furniture Company of New York, this company having been in business there for over forty years. It was formerly known as Schilling Brothers but in 1920 was changed to the present title, when the firm moved from New York city to Kingston, and erected a main plant eight hundred by one hundred feet, with three warehouses, and with ample trackage on the New York Central. The company employs an average of one hundred and twenty-five skilled workmen and mechanics, and their products are shipped from coast to coast. The company specializes in colonial bedroom furniture, and manufactures the most distinctive line in the country of period design bedroom furniture.

On December 24, 1895, Mr. Craig was married to Miss Carolyn Knauss, a native of Allentown, Pennsylvania. Her parents were of old and representative families; her father was a veteran of the Civil war, and her grandfather was a soldier in the Mexican war.

Mr. Craig is a Mason, being a member of Hill Grove Lodge, No. 540, F. & A. M., Orient Chapter, R. A. M., Damascus Commandery, No. 58, Knights Templar, the Grotto, and Kismet Temple, Mystic Shrine, all of Brooklyn, New York. He belongs to the Kingston Club, the Ulster County Society, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of Kingston. Mrs. Craig is past matron of the Eastern Star of Kingston, also past high priestess of the Shrine of Kingston. During the period of America's participation in the World war, Mr. Craig worked for the Standard Air Craft Company, and organized the various plants in Grand Rapids, Michigan, which manufactured the wings and fuselages for scout planes to be used overseas. Both Mr. and Mrs. Craig are prominent members of St. James Methodist Episcopal Church of Kingston, and she is active in the work of the Ladies Aid Society of this congregation.

JAMES A. SIMPSON

Although he recently entered upon the duties of clerk of Ulster county, James A. Simpson has back of him an excellent record of public service, having previously won prestige as a member of the board of supervisors—an office which he occupied for six years. He was born in Phoenicia, New York, September 8, 1892, and is a son of Jay H. Simpson, who was born in 1861 in the same town. The grandfather, James A. Simpson, was a native of Dalkeith, Scotland, born September 23, 1816, and when a child of three came to America with his parents, who settled in Greene county, New York. At the age of twelve he was left fatherless and started to work in a tannery. He mastered the trade in principle and detail and retained his connection with the

tanning industry throughout life, passing away January 16, 1890. He was allied with the republican party and on its ticket was elected to the board of supervisors, serving for two terms. In Ulster county he married Julia A. Longyear, whose ancestors came to America from Germany in 1767, and their descendants in this country are numerous, now numbering about thirteen thousand. James A. and Julia A. (Longyear) Simpson were the parents of six children.

Their son, Augustus J. Simpson, was born August 27, 1857, and attended Kingston Academy. Early in life he learned telegraphy and was an operator at Big Indian, Ulster county, for a time, after which he was station agent and telegrapher at Phoenicia for three years. He then opened a store and successfully engaged in merchandising at Phoenicia for thirty-five years. He also prospered in the blue stone business and in addition was secretary and superintendent of the Phoenicia Water Works Company. On the 8th of August, 1897, he was appointed postmaster of Phoenicia and served until 1914, a period of twenty-seven years. During 1884 and 1885 he had been one of the supervisors of Ulster county and at one time he was a candidate for the general assembly of New York. Fraternally he was identified with Phoenicia Lodge, No. 154, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Kingston Lodge, No. 10, of the Masonic order. He was married February 20, 1884, to Miss Emma L. Osborn, of Greene county, and maintained his home in Phoenicia until his death, which occurred in October, 1917, when he was sixty years of age. In many ways he furthered the development of his district and was known and honored throughout Ulster county.

His brother, Jay H. Simpson, attended the public schools of Phoenicia and continued his studies in Stanford Academy. His initial experience in commercial affairs was gained in the employ of the Kaaterskill Railroad Company, with which he spent eleven years, and in 1899 he ventured in business for himself, establishing a sawmill, which he owned and operated for a number of years. He won success in the lumber industry and was also a

prominent contractor. Among his important achievements was the building of the state road from Pine Hill to Phoenicia, one of the first sections of the state highway constructed in those early days. He was the owner of a large quarry and manifested keen sagacity in the conduct of his business affairs. He filled important public offices, serving for eight years as commissioner of the town of Shandaken and also becoming a member of the state conservation commission. He belonged to the Kingston Lodge of Elks and was a trustee of the Methodist Church. In young manhood he married Miss Clara Selle, a native of St. Mary's, Pennsylvania, and for many years they journeyed together through life. Their union was severed by the death of Mr. Simpson in 1919, when he was fifty-eight years of age and at the height of his usefulness. At all times he wrought along constructive lines and his was indeed a strong, serviceable and upright career. One of the sons, Carroll F. Simpson, was appointed postmaster of Phoenicia in 1918, during the Wilson administration, succeeding his uncle, Augustus J. Simpson, in that office, which he still occupies, and thus for thirty-four years members of the family have rendered valuable service to the town in this capacity.

James A. Simpson, a younger son, was a student in Ulster Academy at Kingston and in the Drexel Institute of Philadelphia. In 1917 he joined his brother, Carroll F. Simpson, in merchandising, taking over the business of Augustus J. Simpson, who passed away in that year. The store was established by their grandfather, James A. Simpson I, and is one of the oldest mercantile enterprises in Phoenicia, where Carroll F. Simpson is now engaged in the insurance business. The brothers were active in the conduct of the store until James A. Simpson II enlisted for service in the World war, and after intensive training at Camp Green near Charlotte, North Carolina, he went overseas. He was attached to the Third Division of the regular army and was mustered out in April, 1919, afterward resuming his mercantile activities.

On the 18th of November, 1924, Mr. Simpson was married to

Miss Beatrice Wright, also a native of Phoenicia, and they have a daughter, Irma M., who was born in May, 1926. Mr. Simpson belongs to Phoenicia Post, No. 950, of the American Legion and fraternally he is identified with the Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, both of Kingston. In 1923 he was the successful candidate for supervisor from this district and took office in 1924. He served acceptably until January 1, 1931, when he resigned to become county clerk, having been elected to that office in the fall of 1930, and is discharging these important duties with characteristic thoroughness and fidelity. Worthy motives and high principles have shaped his course throughout life and his record reflects credit upon an honored family name.

RALPH KAY FORSYTH

No one who knows Ralph Kay Forsyth of Kingston, New York, fails to recognize in him the combination of two faculties which rarely appear together: namely, imagination and practical ability. Mr. Forsyth is a man of unusually varied abilities, and owes his position in the world to success in several widely different fields. He is an accomplished musician, although not using his talent professionally; his inventive genius has made notable contributions to scientific and industrial progress; and finally, in the great American art—that of business administration—he has proved himself a master.

Ralph Kay Forsyth was born in Brooklyn, New York, April 9, 1878, the son of John and Mary Kay. His father, a native of Brooklyn, was a mechanical engineer. Both of his parents dying when he was very young, at the age of four, Ralph Kay entered the home of the Forsyth family of Kingston, New York. The Forsyth family has long been one of the most prominent in the state. From the time when John Forsyth, the founder, settled in Newburgh, New York, to the present day, the Forsyths have been known as examples of far-sighted, idealistic and intelligent



Ralph H. Forsythe

citizenship. Many of the family have been prominent members of the bar, and an even more universal characteristic has been a generous humanitarianism which has expressed itself in numerous and lasting contributions to the community.

The tender care and loving guidance which he received in the Forsyth home played no small part in the shaping of Mr. Forsyth's career. He adopted the name of his foster-parents and has with filial devotion fulfilled their wishes and carried on their tradition of clean and high-minded living. His education, including postgraduate and technical courses, was received in the public and private schools of Kingston and in three of the leading universities of the east: Cornell, Princeton and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He was in the Princeton class of 1903 and Cornell in 1905. He also received valuable practical training in the Cramp shipyards at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and the Newport News Dry Dock Company of Newport News, Virginia. Two years in Europe completed an unusually full and well-rounded preparation for life, after which he returned to Kingston to take over the management of the Cherry Hill Farm.

This farm of two hundred and twenty-five acres was owned by the Forsyth family, and had been in their possession for one hundred and fifty years. In connection with it Mr. Forsyth managed the Joy farm, near Kingston, and another farm of his own comprising one hundred and forty-two acres. The operation of these extensive agricultural interests in the most modern and profitable manner occupied his time for some years. Then he began to perceive the opportunities which lay ready to his hand in the real estate field. The city of Kingston was advancing in prosperity and population, and Mr. Forsyth conceived the idea of subdividing a part of the Joy farm into house lots and developing it as an attractive suburb. This plan was carried out in 1910, with results which showed how sound had been Mr. Forsyth's judgment and foresight. Since that time he has engineered many projects of suburban development, always with the idea not merely of selling lots, but of building up comfortable and attractive modern communities. In this development Mr. For-

syth set aside seventeen acres known as "Joy Wood," which he conveyed to the city of Kingston as a memorial to the Forsyth family.

Although for more than twenty years Mr. Forsyth has conducted a thriving real estate business, his interests are by no means confined to a single field. On the contrary, he is a man of unusually wide knowledge and no one of his varied talents has been allowed to interfere with the development of the others. A pronounced mechanical bent, inherited no doubt from his own father, showed itself in early boyhood. Most boys like to tinker with machines, but few of them have the skill and patience actually to evolve out of nothing an original, practical device. Mr. Forsyth's first successful invention was made at the age of fourteen. It was an instrument designed to save labor in pumping up bicycles tires, the pump being operated by rotation of the wheel. When in high school the young inventor became interested in aeronautics, an interest which he has never abandoned. At this early age he designed a dirigible built on the principle of a catamaran, and consisting of two elliptically shaped balloons with complementary operating devices. A design of this machine is preserved in the archives of the Aeronautical Society of America, of which Mr. Forsyth is a member. In 1893 he designed the first car coupling for railroad cars, an invention the importance of which to modern transportation can hardly be over-estimated. This design was later patented, and forms the basis of all the modern couplings.

Supplemented by the best technical training that the country affords, Mr. Forsyth's mechanical ability developed apace, and his entry into the business world did not dull his interest in machines or check his flow of ideas. Lack of time has no doubt prevented him from working out some of his conceptions, but even amid the complex demands of business he has found leisure to revert now and again to his hobby, and to develop and patent several contrivances of characteristic ingenuity. He is the inventor of the steam turntable, another invaluable contribution to railroad operation. His latest development is the portable

clothes closet, rendered moth-proof by means of frigid air, an article whose convenience in both large and small households is readily apparent.

Mr. Forsyth is fortunate in the possession of a fine baritone voice, whose natural range and richness of tone quality has been improved by years of cultivation under the best masters. He was accepted as a pupil by Rosonti of New York, and studied also with Rosenoff of the Metropolitan Opera Company, who paid high compliments to the quality of Mr. Forsyth's voice. Although he might have succeeded on the opera or concert stage, Mr. Forsyth has preferred to keep his music as an individual matter, the relaxation and inspiration of his leisure hours, and a source of pleasure to his many friends.

Mr. Forsyth has always been a man of great energy, a sportsman in the best sense, taking a keen delight in physical activity, and particularly enjoying the sports which develop a spirit of magnanimity and fair play. Throughout his school days he was a football enthusiast. He was both captain and manager of the Kingston Academy football team, played on the scrub team at Princeton; and was captain of the scrub team at Cornell. In later years his favorite sport has been tennis, at which he is a powerful and an accurate player.

Mr. Forsyth is a republican in his political faith and a member of the First Reformed Dutch Church. He was a charter member of the Princeton Engineering Association. As a member of the Farm Bureau he is prominent in the affairs of Kingston, and many of his suggestions for civic improvement have been adopted by the community. His interest in scientific and cultural movements has led to his membership in the Museum of Natural History of New York city and in the National Geographic Society. Mr. Forsyth has taken special pride in perpetuating the memory of the distinguished family of which by every tie of youthful attachment and lifelong identity, he is counted an honored member. In addition to the preservation of Joy Wood as a memorial to the family, Mr. Forsyth has made in his will provision for an Historical Room in the Kingston Senate House,

dedicated to the memory of the Forsyth family. This famous and historic building, erected in 1676, which was the first home of the New York state legislature, is a fitting home for a memorial to the family which has been so long and so prominently identified with the history of the Empire state.

Mr. Forsyth has traveled extensively, spending the years 1906, 1907 and 1908 in European travel and residence, while in 1928 he made a trip around the world which consumed eight months and in 1929 was gone for three months on a Mediterranean trip. He has also visited all points of historic and scenic interest in the United States, and his is the broad knowledge and culture which only travel can bring.

FRANCIS J. SCHILLING

Francis J. Schilling, who is connected with the Schilling Furniture Company of Kingston, is in a line of business in which members of the family have been successfully engaged for many years. He was born in New York city, October 30, 1893, and is a son of Francis J. Schilling, Sr., a native of Germany. Early in life the father learned how to make and repair furniture and on coming to the United States he located in New York city, where he readily found work in a furniture factory. For some time he continued as an employe and then entered the manufacturing field in partnership with his brother, Henry Schilling, who had accompanied him on the voyage across the Atlantic. They established business in New York city, where their operations were carried on for a period of forty years under the style of the Schilling Brothers Table Company. In 1920 the name was changed to the Schilling Furniture Company and removal was made to Kingston. At that time a main factory eight hundred feet long and one hundred feet wide was erected and three warehouses with ample side-track connections with the New York Central Railroad. The latest and most improved machinery was installed and since locating here the company has specialized in

the manufacture of American and colonial bedroom furniture. They are among the pioneers in this line of period designs. Francis J. Schilling, Sr., was long a dominant factor in the management and development of the business but is now deceased. His widow, Margaretha (Schilling) Schilling, was born in Germany in 1856 and resides in New York city.

Francis J. Schilling II attended the public schools of his native city, continuing his studies in the School of Commerce of New York University. When his education was completed he entered the business established by his father and uncle and from the age of twenty-one years he has been continuously identified with this pioneer house, exerting his best efforts in its behalf.

On the 7th of February, 1915, Mr. Schilling was married to Miss Marguerite Lunback, who was born in New York city and there attended the Ursuline Academy. She is a daughter of George and Anna Lunback and also of German extraction. Coming to the United States as a young man, Mr. Lunback located in New York city, where he established a brewery and successfully conducted the business for several years. He is now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Schilling are the parents of two children: Francis J. III, who was born November 6, 1916, and is attending high school; and Marguerite Virginia, born May 16, 1925. Mr. Schilling belongs to the Masonic fraternity in New York city and is loyal to the teachings and purposes of the craft. He is a business man of high standing and is qualified to speak with authority upon matters pertaining to the furniture trade.

DONALD MALVEN, M. D.

Opening an office in Poughkeepsie in 1926, Dr. Donald Malven has practiced here to the present time and has already won prominence as a physician and surgeon. He was born in New York city on the 19th of March, 1897, and is a son of the Rev. Frank Malven and a grandson of George Malven. The Doctor's great-grandfather in the paternal line emigrated to America

from Scotland, casting his lot with the early settlers of Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania. His son, George Malven, a native of that town, married Philinda St. John, by whom he had seven children: Stephen, Henry, Frank, George, Alice, Ann and Lizzie. The son, Frank Malven, was born in Port Jervis, New York, and graduated from Rutgers College and also from the Brunswick Theological Seminary. He was ordained a minister of the Dutch Reformed Church and filled pastorates at College Point, Long Island, Faggs Manor, Pennsylvania, and other places. By example as well as precept he pointed out to others the higher course in life and is now living retired in Pennsylvania. He married Isadora Wells, a native of Port Jervis and a daughter of Edgar and Emma (Grinnell) Wells, the former a member of one of the old families of the Milford district of Pennsylvania. Mrs. Wells' father, who was also a minister, had charge of churches in Port Jervis, New York, and Hackensack, New Jersey. He resided at Binghamton, New York, for many years. The following children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Wells: George; Fred, a prominent physician of Des Moines, Iowa; Edgar, Jr.; Isadora; and Anna. By her marriage to the Rev. Frank Malven the daughter Isadora became the mother of two children: Donald; and Jean, who is the wife of the Rev. Frederick H. Allen, pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Avon, New York, and has two sons, Frederick (III) and Donald Elliot.

Dr. Malven attended the public schools, afterward matriculating in Rutgers College, but laid aside his studies when the country had need of his military service, enlisting at Newark, New Jersey, May 11, 1917, and was sent to Camp Syracuse as a private in the medical department. Later he was with a medical unit attached to the Sixth Engineers at Washington, D. C., and went overseas December 4, 1917. For a short time he was at Prauthoy, in the Haute Marne district and was next attached to the British Army at Peronne, France. In that sector he saw active combat service with the infantry forces and was gassed. After spending a month in a hospital at Limoges, France, he was detailed for duty with the Three Hundred and Fifth Engineers,

continuing with that outfit until June 3, 1919, and on the 11th of that month was mustered out of the service at Camp Dix, New Jersey.

Dr. Malven then resumed his studies and in 1924 was graduated from the University of Pennsylvania with the degree of M. D. He made practical use of his theoretical knowledge while serving as an interne in Vassar Hospital at Poughkeepsie and has practiced successfully in this city since 1926. He is a member of the staff of Vassar Hospital and the Hudson River Valley Hospital and has his office at 75 Market street. In diagnosis he is thorough and painstaking, closely studying each case intrusted to his care and using the most effective remedial agents.

Dr. Malven was married to Miss Dorothy Irma Neill, a daughter of W. D. and Irma K. (Landsberg) Neill, of Ottawa, Canada. During the World war Mr. Neill was with a Canadian contingent, holding the rank of brigadier general. Dr. and Mrs. Malven have become the parents of a son, Donald, Jr., born September 4, 1929. The Doctor is identified with the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Phi Beta Phi college fraternity, the Dutchess-Putnam Medical Society, the New York State Medical Society and the American Medical Association. He is a capable and progressive exponent of his profession and a young man of pleasing personality and much force of character.

WILLIAM L. DELANY

William L. Delany, president of the Newburgh Steam Boiler Works, is one of Newburgh's native sons, who has made steady and substantial progress in his business affairs and is now at the head of one of this city's large and important industries. He was born in Newburgh in October, 1878, and is a son of John and Sarah E. (Toohey) Delany. The father was born in Kilkenny, Ireland, and was reared there to the age of twelve years, when he was brought to the United States. He learned the trade of a machinist, which he followed for many years, and his death

occurred in 1925. The mother was born at Washingtonville, Orange county, New York, and her death occurred in 1888. To these parents eight children were born, namely: One who died in infancy; William L., of this review; John, who died in 1922; Joseph; Frank, who is a Catholic priest in New York city; Catherine; Elizabeth; and Margaret, who is the wife of John Hurley, of Poughkeepsie, New York.

William L. Delany received his educational training in the parochial schools of Newburgh, and he then went to work in the machine shop of what is now his own establishment. He thoroughly learned every detail of the boiler business, so that he has always had the advantage of a practical knowledge of every detail of the work, and now, as the head and manager of the business he is able to give intelligent decisions on all questions which arise in the operation of the plant. This concern is engaged in the manufacture of all kinds of marine and stationary boilers, in which line of production they enjoy a wide and favorable reputation for the superior quality of their products. Mr. Delany is a democrat in his political alignment and has always shown a keen interest in public affairs. He belongs to the Roman Catholic Church and is a member of the Knights of Columbus. He has attained success as the result of his hard and consecutive endeavor and all who have been associated with him hold him in high regard for his ability and judgment in practical matters.

HON. J. GORDON FLANNERY

Entering upon his career as a lawyer in 1920, Hon. J. Gordon Flannery has made substantial progress in his profession in the intervening period of eleven years and is now serving as county judge of Dutchess county, while previously he had won prestige as United States commissioner for the southern district of New York. He was born in Fishkill-on-the-Hudson, now called Beacon, on the 21st of October, 1895, a son of John and Margaretta J. (Faulkner) Flannery, the former a native of Tipperary, Ire-



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land, and the latter of Newburgh, New York. Eighty-two years ago the father came alone to America as a boy, first locating in Goshen, New York, whence he later removed to Newburgh, and finally settled in Beacon but now makes his home at Glenham, New York. He is alert and active, although within a few years of the century mark. As a young man he followed the occupation of farming, after which he became the proprietor of a livery stable, and subsequently conducted a hotel at Beacon. He has lived to see notable changes as the work of development and progress have been carried forward in this region and is known and respected throughout the Hudson River Valley. His brother, Patrick Flannery, a Union soldier, was a member of the famous regiment known as the Orange Blossoms, organized in Orange county, and was wounded in the battle of Petersburg. Many years after the Civil war he was on duty in Washington, D. C., as a private aide to President McKinley, whom he accompanied on the trip to Buffalo, and was with the President when he was shot. By his first wife John Flannery had three children, Katherine, William and John, Jr. His second wife, Margaretta J. (Faulkner) Flannery, was a daughter of John and Jane (Hutton) Faulkner and a sister of Richard Faulkner, who served with the famous Rough Riders in the Spanish-American war. The Huttons were originally from Ireland and in that country members of the family achieved prominence as shipbuilders and also as owners of the Belfast linen mills, renowned throughout the world. To John and Margaretta (Faulkner) Flannery were born two children: J. Gordon; and Agnes M., now deceased.

The son was graduated from the Glenham grammar school in 1910 and from the Matteawan high school in 1913. His classical education was secured at Cornell University, which awarded him the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1915, and three years later he received the degree of Bachelor of Laws from Syracuse University. While in college he figured prominently in athletic sports as a member of the Cornell and Syracuse track teams, as stroke oar in the Syracuse regatta, and in that city he was also a member of the football, baseball and basket-ball teams of the univer-

sity, likewise participating in its boxing matches. The 1915 football team was the first to go to California. In 1917 he left Syracuse to join the navy and was recalled to the university but soon afterward reentered the service. He was sent to the Pelham station, later was transferred to a mine sweeper and was next assigned to convoy duty. He was commissioned an ensign and detailed for duty on a torpedo destroyer in the transport service. Steadily advancing, he was made superintendent of coaling operations in the Brooklyn navy yard and on the New York and Hoboken piers, coaling transports and cruisers. During this period he was captain of the football team of the fleet.

When mustered out of the service Mr. Flannery entered the law office of Morschauser & Mack, at Poughkeepsie, New York, with whom he continued until January, 1922, when he began his individual career as an attorney at Beacon, New York, where, in 1927 he formed a partnership with Leonard J. Supple—a connection that has since continued. Meanwhile Mr. Flannery had been selected for public office, assuming the duties of justice of the peace in 1922, and was re-elected in 1926. In the latter year he was appointed United States commissioner for the southern district of New York proving well qualified for that important position, and in 1930 was elected judge of Dutchess county. He ably presides over this tribunal, bringing to bear in the discharge of his duties as a jurist strong analytical powers, a thorough knowledge of the law and an unbiased judgment. He was also elected judge of the Children's Court of Dutchess county.

Judge Flannery has fraternal relations with the Knights of Columbus and with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and is a past exalted ruler of his lodge. He is identified with the Veterans of Foreign Wars and figures prominently in the affairs of the American Legion, being a past commander of Beacon Post, a member of the state hospitalization committee and the mountain camp committee. A stanch friend of the Boy Scouts of America, he is serving on the executive council of the organization. He belongs to the Tompkins Hose Company of Beacon, to the Dutchess County Historical Society and is well

known in club circles through his connection with the Kiwanis Club, the Southern Dutchess Golf & Country Club of Beacon and the Dutchess Golf Club of Poughkeepsie. His college fraternities are Gamma Eta Gamma and Theta Sigma Chi. His name also appears on the membership rolls of the Tambourine and Bones, the Devil's Own, an honorary law society, and the Monk's Head, an honorary athletic society. He served on the athletic governing board of Syracuse University, also on the senior council and as vice president of the athletic board of the law school. Along strictly professional lines he has connection with the New York State Bar Association, the Dutchess County Bar Association, and the American Bar Association. His activities and interests are evenly balanced, making his a symmetrical, well rounded development. Through all the varied responsibilities of life Judge Flannery has acquitted himself with dignity, fidelity and honor, thus winning the approbation and esteem of his fellowmen.

ABRAHAM D. LENT

In point of continuous service Abraham D. Lent is one of Highland's oldest lawyers, having practiced here for fifty-six years, and is one of the best known attorneys in Ulster county. He was born at Pleasant Plains, in the town of Clinton, Dutchess county, New York, May 13, 1850, a son of Abraham S. and Mary Ann (Cookingham) Lent. The father followed the occupation of farming and also conducted business as a merchant.

Abraham D. Lent obtained his elementary education in the district school of his native town and was next a student in the seminary at Pleasant Plains. After teaching for a year he matriculated in Union University at Albany, where he was graduated May 13, 1874, with the degree of Bachelor of Laws, and with his admission to the bar he opened an office in Highland, where he has practiced since November, 1874. The court records bear proof of his power as an attorney, showing that he has suc-

cessfully handled many of the important cases tried in this district. His mind is analytical, logical and inductive in its trend and he manifests keen discernment in the solution of intricate problems of the law. He was admitted to practice in the federal courts August 31, 1904, and the extent of his clientele attests the confidence reposed in his legal acumen. He is also a shrewd, farsighted financier and for thirty-one years has been vice president of the First National Bank, which he aided in organizing at Highland in 1900.

On the 26th of December, 1877, Mr. Lent was married to Miss Isabel Perkins, a daughter of Richard D. and Susan Perkins, of Highland. The father here conducted a store and cooperage shop and was widely known as a member of one of the earliest families of Ulster county. Of the four children born to Mr. and Mrs. Lent, Suzanne B. is the eldest. Following her graduation from Linden Hall, Poughkeepsie, she took a course in Vassar College, winning the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1900, and in 1901 graduated from the State Normal School at New Paltz, and is now a teacher of English in one of the high schools of New York city. She belongs to the Clionian sorority of the New Paltz Normal School and also to the Phi Beta Kappa society.

Andrew Wright Lent, born in Highland, September 6, 1882, was graduated from Union College in 1904 as valedictorian of his class. Afterward he completed a course in the Albany Law School and in November, 1906, was admitted to the bar. With his return to Highland he joined his father in general practice and has since been junior member of the law firm of A. D. & A. W. Lent. In 1920 he organized the Highland (N. Y.) Savings and Loan Association, which he has represented as counsel for eleven years, or throughout the period of its existence. During the period of the World war he was counsel for the local draft board. He is a member of the official board of the Methodist Episcopal Church and has long been a civic worker, serving for nineteen years on the board of education, of which he was the president for several years. In addition he is vice president of the Highland Free Library board and one of the trustees of the

Georgiana Rose Ganse Foundation, Inc. While a student at Union College he played on its football team for three years and his college fraternity is Phi Delta Theta, a national organization. He was elected to the honorary fraternity, Sigma Xi. He belongs to Brainard Howell Council of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics of Highland and was state commander of New York in 1913-1914 and then for three years was a state trustee of the order. He is a past chancellor of Zeno Lodge of the Knights of Pythias and a member of Sunshine Lodge, No. 925, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows at Highland, also a charter member of Ida McKinley Council, D. of A. In Masonry he has connection with Adonai Lodge, No. 718, F. & A. M., of Highland, of which he was master in 1928; Highland Chapter, No. 52, R. A. M., of Newburgh; Hudson River Commandery, K. T., of Newburgh; and Mecca Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of New York city. On the 26th of June, 1913, he married Mabel Emily Lawson, the only child of Rev. D. G. Lawson. In 1910 she was graduated from Vassar College with the Bachelor of Arts degree and was elected a member of the Phi Beta Kappa. The two children of this marriage are: Emily Isabel, who was born October 26, 1916; and Mabel Barbara, born January 2, 1922.

Harold Abram, the second son, was born November 5, 1888, and obtained his high school education in Poughkeepsie, graduating with the class of 1905. After attending Union College and the West Point Military Academy he studied law and in May, 1913, was admitted to the bar. During the World war he enlisted from Highland and at New York University he was first duty sergeant. His service covered six months and on December 19, 1918, in New York city he received an honorable discharge. Elected justice of the peace of the town of Lloyd, he filled the office for twelve years. He attends the Methodist Episcopal Church and his college fraternity is Phi Delta Theta. His Masonic affiliations are with Adonai Lodge, No. 718, F. & A. M., of which he is a past master; Highland Chapter, No. 52, R. A. M.; and King Solomon Council, No. 31, R. & S. M. He belongs

to Sunshine Council, No. 925, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows at Highlands and is a past district deputy of Brainard Howell Council of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. He is also identified with Lloyd Post, No. 193, of the American Legion at Highland, the Empire State Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. On the 29th of December, 1920, he was married in New Paltz to Miss Elizabeth Waring, a daughter of Samuel C. and Cornelia (Deyo) Waring, and they have three children: Richard Waring, who was born October 25, 1921; Elizabeth Jane, born October 11, 1924; and David Samuel Lent, born November 30, 1930.

Richard Perkins Lent, who completes the family, was born July 28, 1892, and obtained his grammar school training in Highland. In 1908 he was graduated from the Poughkeepsie high school and his scientific studies were pursued in Union College, which awarded him the B. E. degree in 1913. He was a member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity. He was connected with the state highway commission as assistant resident engineer at Poughkeepsie until he enlisted in April, 1917, soon after this nation entered the World war, and in September of that year he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the engineers corps. He served in France with the American Expeditionary Force and as a first lieutenant he was in command of the Forty-first Company of the Twentieth Engineers from February, 1918, until July, 1919. In August, 1919, he was mustered out at Camp Upton, New York, and he now holds the rank of first lieutenant in the Reserve Officers Engineer Corps of the United States Army. After the war he spent five years in Raleigh, North Carolina, where he followed the profession of a consulting engineer, and at present is one of the engineers of the Long Island state park commission. He was married January 3, 1931, to Miss Katherine Fernandina Miner and they reside at Babylon on Long Island. Mrs. Lent is a graduate of the New York State College for teachers and has the A. B. degree. During the war she was in the employ of the war department at Washington, D. C., afterward becoming assistant statistician in the United

States Veterans Bureau, and held the position until her marriage, when she tendered her resignation.

A strong republican in politics, Abraham D. Lent has repeatedly been chosen as a delegate to county and state conventions of the party. For twenty-eight years he occupied the office of justice of the peace and was long a trustee of the Highland Free School, now the high school. He is a charter member and past chancellor of Zeno Lodge of the Knights of Pythias at Highland and the oldest living past master of Adonai Lodge, No. 718, of the Masonic order at Highland. In the Order of the Eastern Star he has also been active as one of the founders of Highland Chapter and was its first patron, likewise becoming assistant grand lecturer. Mr. Lent is greatly interested in those movements which make for the uplift of the individual as well as the community at large and was formerly a steward of the Highland Methodist Church. He has long held office in the Methodist Episcopal Church and for over thirty years has been president of its board of trustees. In 1900 he was one of first lay delegates to the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church held in Chicago, previous to which time only pastors had attended the general conferences of the church. He was one of the organizers of the Laymen's Association and served as its vice president for a number of terms. Of a deeply religious nature, Mr. Lent exemplifies the teachings of the church in his daily life and has always given his support to those projects and organizations which work for the Christianization of the race and the brotherhood of man.

MRS. CATHERINE WALSH NOLAN

Mrs. Catherine Walsh Nolan, a most capable and popular young native daughter of Albany, is doing commendable work as executive secretary of the Social Service Exchange. She was born December 13, 1902, to William and Margaret (Graham) Walsh, and was graduated from the Cathedral Academy of Al-

bany in 1917. She then became associated with the Red Cross, later was made secretary of the Catholic Charities and afterward filled the position of secretary to the manager of the Albany Community Chest. In 1927, when the Albany Council of Social Agencies was organized, Mrs. Nolan was chosen secretary thereof, as well as executive secretary of the Social Service Exchange, in which position she has labored most efficiently and acceptably to the present time.

On the 27th of June, 1929, Catherine Walsh was united in marriage to John Francis Nolan, who was born in Stillwater, New York, in 1900, and who is now associated with the automobile industry. Fraternally Mr. Nolan is affiliated with the Knights of Columbus. Mrs. Nolan is a democrat in her political views and a Roman Catholic in religious faith. She has membership in the Albany City Club and the University Guild and is widely and favorably known throughout the community in which she has always lived.

ORIN HARMON MUNRO

Orin Harmon Munro, who is the president of the Munro Brokerage Company, Incorporated, fruit and produce brokers of Albany, New York, is widely known as one of the most substantial business men of the Hudson River Valley. He was born in Cohoes, New York, May 27, 1874, and is a son of the late Alexander W. and Sarah (Kemp) Munro. The Munro family is of Scotch origin. The grandparents of Orin H. Munro were Duncan and Catherine (Craven) Munro, the former of whom was born in Greenock, Scotland, in 1790, and the latter in Annandale, Scotland, in 1800. Duncan Munro was a noted musician, and was a leader of a regimental band. Much of his musical talent was inherited by three of his sons, Alexander, Duncan and Gordon. Both he and his wife died in their native country during a severe cholera epidemic. Ten children were born to them, namely: John, Neil, Barbara, Michael, Mary, Duncan, Alexander, James, Gordon and Archie.



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Alexander W. Munro, the father of Orin H., was born in Glasgow, Scotland, in 1829, and there received some schooling during his youth. On July 3, 1845, he landed in Boston, Massachusetts, having found employment on board the ship John Kerr of Grennock. He lived in Lowell, Massachusetts, for one year, then went to Boston, and on June 17, 1846, sailed aboard the Swedish vessel Minona. From this time until 1850, he led a seafaring life, voyaging to India and Jamaica, and then returned to Glasgow. On March 17, 1852, in company with his brothers, Duncan and Gordon, he sailed from Glasgow on the Diroga of Maine, and landed in New York city, April 26, 1852. From the eastern metropolis they went to Buffalo, in which city Gordon Munro remained. Alexander and Duncan returned to Cohoes, where the latter obtained employment, while Alexander proceeded to Rocky Glen. His business establishment there having been destroyed by fire, he came to Cohoes, after which both he and his brother Duncan found work in Victory Mills. In 1854, Duncan Munro bought a farm in upper Canada, and in 1855 Alexander W. Munro joined him there. Two years were spent in farming, but the work did not appeal to him, and he returned to Victory, where he worked in a mill for a time. Next he went back to Cohoes, working in the shawl factory. He married Sarah Kemp at Victory Mills, April 2, 1858, having returned there for a period, and after his wedding he again went to Canada, taking his bride with him. Two of his children, Mary E. and Louis F., were born in the northern country, and about the middle of April, 1864, he departed from Canada and again took up his abode in Victory Mills, where he spent several months. The next move was to Schenectady, New York, where he remained for a year or more and started to learn the trade of a machinist. Then, after a short stay in Waterford, he moved to Cohoes and began working in the machine shop of the Harmony mills. Subsequently he went to Horrobin's machine shop, and there stayed until his last illness. Alexander W. Munro died at Northside Cohoes, New York, November 28, 1892. His wife, Sarah (Kemp) Munro, was born in Victory Mills, New York, October 11, 1838, and was

a daughter of Thomas and Mary (Field) Kemp. Thomas Kemp was born in Kilperby, England, June 22, 1805, and was associated with the Harmony mills in Cohoes, New York, where he passed away. His wife was born in Pocklington, England, March 11, 1815, a daughter of Thomas Field, who was a son of William and Elizabeth (Grant) Field, natives of England. William Field spent some time in Canada, but returned to England, where he was proprietor of the Lomoor foundry in Lomoor. Both he and his wife died in that country. Sarah (Kemp) Munro died in Fort Edward, New York, June 17, 1914. Alexander W. Munro was a staunch prohibitionist during his life, a member of the Methodist Church, and one who ordered his living along the most commendable lines.

Orin H. Munro attended the public schools of Cohoes, New York, until he was fourteen years of age and during the succeeding six years worked in the Aetna knit underwear mill in Lansingburg, New York, where he learned the trade of rib knitter. He then accepted a position in the rib knitting department of the Star Knitting Company of Cohoes, as foreman, and there remained five years. Next he embarked in the grocery merchandise brokerage business in Elmira, New York, as a member of the firm of Dubuque & Munro, and this arrangement existed for three years, during which interval branches were opened in Syracuse, Troy and Albany. Later the partners sold the Elmira office, closed out the Troy branch, and continued in two locations. The Syracuse office was in charge of Mr. Dubuque, while Mr. Munro retained the management of the Albany office. In 1924 the partnership was dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. Munro took over the Albany business, incorporated it under the name of the Munro Brokerage Company, and has been the president since. The business is now entirely conducted in fresh fruits and produce, and the stock is sold in car-load lots only, between shipper and wholesaler. Mr. Munro has had marked success in building up his large trade, and it has been done on the strictest methods of dealing with his patrons, and the most straightforward and honorable policy which he could devise.

On June 28, 1899, Mr. Munro was married to Laura Cornell Hay, daughter of Miller and Anna Lavinia (Greene) Hay, the former parent now being deceased. He was chief of police in Cohoes, chief of the fire department, city chamberlain for sixteen years, and lastly he was associated with the department of public works in Albany. Mrs. Laura Cornell (Hay) Munro traces her ancestry back to Nicholas Brown, who was admitted a freeman in 1638 and died in Reading, Massachusetts, April 5, 1673. Cornelius Brown, fifth child of Nicholas Brown, was born in Reading, Massachusetts, in 1643, and on the 6th of March, 1665, married Sarah Lamson of Ipswich. In 1676 he was again married, his second union being with Susannah Story Clarke, daughter of William Story and Hannah (Foster) Story. Cornelius and Susannah Brown had four children: Susannah, born in 1677; Mary, born in 1679; Hannah, born in 1680; and William, who was born February 14, 1682, in Reading, Massachusetts, and died in 1768. The last named was first married on the 11th of November, 1703, to Deborah Robbins Squire and their children, born at Cambridge, were as follows: William, who was born November 24, 1704, and who on the 10th of October, 1728, married Ruth Walker in Rehoboth; Josiah, born October 22, 1706; Jonathan, born July 8, 1708; Deborah, born October 6, 1712; Mary, born January 6, 1716; and John, born January 19, 1718. William Brown, son of Cornelius and Susannah Brown, was married the second time when Mary Bailey became his bride on the 13th of October, 1744. Their children, born at Cambridge and Natick, were as follows: Thaddeus, born in 1746; Susannah, born in 1748; Seth Ingersoll, born in 1750; Jonathan, born in 1751; Mary, born in 1752; Abijah, born in 1755; Susannah; Lucy; and Josiah, born February 26, 1768. Abijah Brown, son of William and Mary (Bailey) Brown, was born in Paxton, Worcester county, Massachusetts, October 9, 1755, and on the 12th of October, 1775, married Phoebe Parsons, who was born in Leicester, Massachusetts, October 13, 1755. Abijah Brown was a minute-man under the command of Captain Phineas Moore, and marched on the alarm April 19, 1775, from Paxton to Cam-

bridge. This record, also that of his marriage to Phoebe Parsons, is confirmed by the town clerk at Paxton, Massachusetts, in a letter sent to Edith Buffett Morrison, a great-great-granddaughter.

The children of Abijah and Phoebe (Parsons) Brown were six in number, as follows: Abigail, who was born in Paxton, Massachusetts, January 27, 1778, and became the wife of Thomas Carpenter; Martha, who was a twin sister of Abigail and who married David Moore; Elizabeth, who was born in Swansea, Bristol county, Massachusetts, October 9, 1779, and became the wife of Stephen Green; Phoebe, born July 14, 1781, who married Eleazor Franklin and died May 8, 1844; Sarah, who was born November 17, 1783, and married Philemon Whitcomb; and Solomon, born July 23, 1785. Of the above named, Phoebe Brown married Eleazor Franklin, who was born August 14, 1780, and died August 12, 1845. Their seven children were: (1) Phoebe, born November 20, 1802; (2) Sally, born January 18, 1805; (3) Dorothy was born November 22, 1806; (4) Daniel was born December 16, 1808; (5) Roxana, born June 21, 1811; (6) William B., born March 29, 1815 (7) Laura, born May 31, 1818, married Elisha T. Greene.

The Greene family record goes back to David Greene, who was born November 22, 1737, and married Molly Wethy on the 1st of October, 1751. Their children were as follows: Benajah, born in 1752; Sarah, born in 1766; Polly, born in 1770; Aaron, born in 1772; William, born in 1774; Mehitable, born in 1777; Elisha, born February 15, 1780; Betsey, born in 1782; and Lydia, born in 1784. Of the above named, Elisha Greene, who was a native of Griswold, New London county Connecticut, born February 15, 1780, was married on the 20th of October, 1804, to Freelove F. Cory, born July 24, 1780. Their children were as follows: H. M., born in 1806; Sarah, in 1808; Ephraim, in 1810; Elisha Tyler, born January 6, 1812; Olive, born in 1814; and Louisa, born in 1816. Of this family, Elisha Tyler Greene, born in Griswold, New London county, Connecticut, January 6, 1812, was married February 20, 1837, to Laura Franklin, born in

Schaghticoke, New York, May 31, 1818. Their family numbered eight children: Charles Walter, who was born November 24, 1838, and died January 25, 1869; George Franklin, who was born April 9, 1839, and died November 20, 1891; Otis Robinson, who was born January 30, 1841, and died November 29, 1902; Orin Brown, who was born March 16, 1843, and died February 3, 1844; Harriet Elizabeth, who was born February 24, 1846, and died July 30, 1908; Anna Lavinia, born October 1, 1852; Edgar Josiah, born October 6, 1854; and James Holmes, who was born June 15, 1858, and died April 15, 1915. Anna Lavinia Greene, the sixth in order of birth, was born in Cohoes, New York, October 1, 1852, and became the wife of Miller Hay, who was born June 3, 1849, and died February 28, 1928. Miller Hay was a son of James and Sarah Elizabeth (Ball) Hay, the former born in Morayshire, Scotland, and the latter in Berne, New York, November 21, 1828. The four children of Miller and Anna Hay were: Laura Cornell and her twin sister, Bessie, born September 18, 1878; Leslie Miller, born March 2, 1883; and Ruth Eberl, born August 30, 1891. Laura Cornell became the wife of Orin Harmon Munro. Mrs. Munro is a graduate of the Cohoes high school. She belongs to the Third Reformed Church, and is a prominent member of the Women's Club. Mr. and Mrs. Muro have one daughter, Dorothy Meredith Munro, who was born Monday, November 26, 1900, and is the wife of James Sedgley Pelletier. The latter is associated with the Munro Brokerage Company, Incorporated, and is a veteran of the United States Navy, where he served during the World war period. Mr. and Mrs. Pelletier have two children, Chloe and Suzanne Pelletier. The Munro residence in Albany is situated at 9 Matilda street.

The political affiliation of Orin H. Munro is with the republican party, and he is a member of the Third Reformed Church. He belongs to Temple Lodge, No. 14, F. & A. M.; the Rotary Club of Albany; the Albany Chamber of Commerce; the Wolferts Roost Country Club; the American Fruit and Vegetable Shippers' Association; and the Fruit and Produce Brokers' Association. He finds his greatest diversions in golf, fishing and traveling, and

has always been interested in athletic sports. In his earlier years, he was a devotee of bicycle racing, and won a number of state championships in this activity. He has manifested a favorable attitude toward public affairs of his home city, and has created a popular place for himself in the community by his cooperative and congenial spirit toward his fellow citizens.

WALTER J. MILLER

Walter J. Miller, attorney at law, was born October 8, 1895, in Kingston, and was educated in Kingston Academy, Rutgers Preparatory School, Carnegie Institute of Technology and Albany Law School. Admitted to the New York bar in May, 1921, he has since engaged in general practice in Kingston with an office at 44 Main street.

Mr. Miller was married June 13, 1920, to Miss Katherine O'Hara and they have two children: Patricia, who was born June 2, 1923; and Bruce A., born June 13, 1927. He is an honorary life member and a past exalted ruler of Kingston Lodge of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He also belongs to the Knights of Columbus, to Kingston Post, No. 150, of the American Legion, and is secretary of the Ulster County Bar Association.

FRANZ RICHARD WILKE

Albany has been the city of opportunity to Franz Richard Wilke, a self-made man whose enterprise and ability have won for him a gratifying measure of success in the laundry business. He was born in Stettin, Germany, December 10, 1851, a son of Robert F. T. and Dorothy (Reimer) Wilke, the latter also a native of that city. The father was born in Naugard, Germany, and came to America in 1868, locating in New York city, where he secured employment as a watchmaker. There he resided until

his demise and the mother also passed away in that city. In politics he maintained an independent course, supporting the candidate whom he considered best qualified for office, irrespective of party ties.

Franz R. Wilke acquired his education in Germany, attending a French school founded by Huguenots, after which he served an apprenticeship in watchmaking under his father, and remained in his native land until 1869. At the age of seventeen he crossed the Atlantic, sailing on a ship bound for New York city, where he spent about fourteen years, and worked for Benedict Waters, a jeweler, during that time. His father had preceded him to the United States by about six months and a year and a half later the mother came to this country with a younger son, Max Wilke, who is now a well known architect of New York city.

Locating in Albany in 1883, Franz R. Wilke entered the employ of James Mix, who had a jewelry store on South Pearl street, and remained with him for thirty-seven years as a watch adjuster—a line of work in which he had acquired the skill of an expert. In 1911 he entered a new field of activity, starting in the laundry business on Broadway, near Livingston avenue, and in 1916 removed to his present location at 204 Colonie street. The lot has a frontage of ninety-two feet and is one hundred and fourteen feet deep. Of brick construction, the building is three stories high in the front and two in the rear. One-half of the structure is entirely new and the older part has been remodeled. Modern machinery has been installed in the laundry, which is completely equipped and turns out first class work, thoroughly satisfactory to its patrons. The extent of the enterprise is indicated in the fact that one hundred and thirty employes are kept constantly busy and fourteen wagons are required to make deliveries. In 1911 the business was incorporated under the laws of the state of New York as the Wilke Laundry Company, Inc., of which Franz R. Wilke is the president. Associated with him in the company are his sons, Robert F. T., treasurer, Alfred Wilke, vice president, and Karl H. Wilke secretary. As the executive head of the concern Mr. Wilke manifests initiative, forcefulness

and mature judgment and has fostered the growth of the business by close attention to detail and the maintenance of a high standard of service. In 1925 he made a trip to Europe, revisiting his old home in Germany, but prefers Albany as a place of residence and is thoroughly American in spirit and interests. Honest and industrious, he has prospered in his undertakings and stands deservedly high in the esteem of his fellowmen.

JAMES M. CRONK, M. D.

Dr. James M. Cronk is a leading member of the great medical profession—that profession which one philosopher has stated to be the highest and most noble calling of man. Certain it is that in the hearts of the world the physician and surgeon comes first, for humanitarianism—the epitome of the medical profession—begets love, respect and regard. In Dutchess county, New York, the name of Dr. Cronk is well and widely known, Dutchess county being the seat of his professional activities.

Dr. Cronk comes from old Dutch ancestry, his forbears changing their name from Cronkhite to Cronk by dropping the last syllable. The Cronkhites and Lents were early settlers of Westchester county, and were of common origin in Germany. At a remote period they enjoyed a state of allodial independence, and were regarded as “constituting nobility.” They possessed the Manor of Rycken, from which they took their names. Hans Von Rycken and his cousin Melchior, of Holland, headed eight hundred Crusaders in the first Crusade of 1096. In the Spanish war Captain Jacob Simons de Rycke was a partisan of William of Orange, and distinguished himself by his military exploits. Through Captain Jacob Simons de Rycke the line descends through Jacob; to Abraham, the immigrant ancestor, in 1638, to Ryck Abrahamsen, of Cortland Manor, who assumed the name “Lent”; and to Mary (de Rycke) Lent, his daughter, whose marriage into the Cronkhite family brought the two families again into close relationship they had enjoyed centuries before in Lower



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Saxony. The name Cronkhite in its ancient forms was spelled Krankheydt. It then became Kronkheydt, Krankheydt, Krankhuyt, and finally Cronkhite.

(I) Herrick Kronkhuyt is the first of the name of whom there seems to be any mention. He was born, reared, married and died in Holland. To him was born a son, Sybout Herrickse.

(II) Sybout Herrickse Kronkheydt, son of Herrick Kronkhuyt, came to America before 1703, and settled in Tarrytown, New York. He was one of the purchasers with Abraham Lent of Ryck's Patent, Westchester county, New York. Teunis Herrickse, Jan Herrickse, Hendrick Herrickse, and Jacobus Kronkheydt, brothers of Sybout Herrickse Kronkheydt, also came to America and settled in Westchester county, where Jacobus Kronkheydt acted as godfather to the children of all his brothers. Sybout Herrickse Kronkheydt was married to Mary Lent, born in 1649, a daughter of Ryck Abrahamsen, who changed his name to Abraham Lent as heretofore noted. Issue: Samuel.

(III) Samuel Cronkhite (note change of spelling), a son of Sybout Herrickse and Mary (Lent) Kronkheydt, was baptized in Tarrytown, New York, November 8, 1710. In regard to the shortening of the surname, the following has been written: It is established that the original name Cronkheit was in many cases shortened to Cronk by the American families, although there are many families now in the United States using the original name Cronkheit. The records of the Fourteenth Regiment from Hoo-sick and Schaghticoke, also Albany county, New York, which fought under Colonel Peter Yates in the war of the American Revolution, contained the name of an Abraham Cronkheit, a Teunis Cronkheit, besides five other Cronks and Cronkheits. This would seem to support the theory that the family had come to America considerably before the year 1700, and that they entertained diversified political views. There are New York records that show that Dutchess county Cronkheits favored the American cause, and "Signed the Associations" in July, 1775. Two Ulster county Cronks refused, as did two Dutchess county Kranchites. Captain James Kronkhyte led a company of Westchester county

Revolutionary troops. All of these different spellings and opinions within a few miles. As near as can be ascertained, Samuel Cronkhite was the father of Samuel Cronk.

(IV) Samuel Cronk, probably the son of Samuel Cronkhite, was born in Suydam, Columbia county, New York. He kept a general store and was also engaged in agricultural pursuits. He married La Marian Kilmer, and they had a son, Martin L.

(V) Martin L. Cronk, a son of Samuel and La Marian (Kilmer) Cronk, was born in Suydam, Columbia county, New York, in the year 1834, and died there on December 7, 1907, having spent his life as a farmer. He was married in 1865 to Marion Carl, who bore him four children, as follows: Jennie, Alice, Esbon and James M.

(VI) Dr. James M. Cronk, one of the four children of Martin L. and Marion (Carl) Cronk, was born in Suydam, Columbia county, New York, August 8, 1867. His early education was acquired in the district schools of his native town, following which he attended the Hudson River Institute at Claverack-on-the-Hudson. In 1895 he matriculated in the medical department at Albany of Union University of Schenectady, New York, from which he was graduated in the class of 1898, with the degree of Doctor of Medicine. Immediately upon the completion of his medical studies he began the practice of his chosen profession in Hyde Park, Dutchess county, New York, where he has since remained, becoming very successful and widely known, and building up a large and lucrative clientage.

Politically, Dr. Cronk has always been an advocate and supporter of the principles of republicanism. He has ever been an interested worker in municipal affairs, having served as health officer at Hyde Park for a period of thirty years, and as president of the Hyde Park Methodist Episcopal Church, of which he has been a trustee for some years.

Dr. Cronk has had a military career deserving of more than passing mention. During the World war, on June 7, 1918, he entered the government training camp at Camp Oglethorpe, Georgia, with the rank of lieutenant, and two months later was

assigned to Base Hospital No. 121, of the same cantonment. He was next transferred to Camp Beauregard, Louisiana. On November 11, 1918, he went overseas and was stationed at Beau-Besert, Base Section No. 2, France. On May 19, 1919, he was commissioned captain and made commanding officer of Sanitary Squad No. 76. Captain Cronk returned to America on May 30, 1919, and was mustered out of service at Camp Dodge, June 17, 1919.

Dr. Cronk is an active member of the Dutchess-Putnam Counties Medical Association, the New York State Medical Association, the Poughkeepsie Academy of Medicine, and the American Medical Association. Fraternally he holds membership in Triune Lodge, No. 782, Free and Accepted Masons, the National League of Masonic Clubs, and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

Dr. James M. Cronk was married in Hudson, New York, January 3, 1893, to Nellie Palmer, a daughter of Peter and Elizabeth (Pearsall) Palmer, of Matteawan, now Beacon, New York. Dr. and Mrs. Cronk are the parents of one daughter, Laura, who was married in the year 1917 to Frederick Traudt, of Hyde Park. To Frederick and Laura (Cronk) Traudt have been born three children: Frederick, Phyllis and James C. Traudt. Dr. and Mrs. Cronk make their home at Hyde Park, Dutchess county, New York. Dr. Cronk is on the medical staff of Vassar Hospital of Poughkeepsie, New York.

FRANK L. WISWALL

As head of the law firm of Wiswall, Walton, Wood & Mac-Affer, Frank L. Wiswall occupies a place of prominence in legal circles of Albany and he has also aided in framing the laws of the state. He was born in Colonie, Albany county, July 8, 1895, and is of English extraction, tracing his ancestry in America back to Thomas Wiswall, who came to this country in 1664, settling near Newton, Massachusetts. The family was represented in the Revolutionary war by Ebenezer and Noah Wiswall, who

valiantly defended the cause of American independence. Ebenezer and Howard Wiswall, sons of Ebenezer and Ann Wiswall, were capitalists who owned large tracts of land on Mobile bay, Alabama, and in West Troy, New York. Ebenezer Wiswall II engaged in merchandising in Troy and his demise occurred in Watervliet, New York. His son, Ebenezer Wiswall III, was born in Watervliet and followed the occupation of farming. He and his brother owned and operated a ferry between Troy and West Troy and they inherited their father's interests in the West Troy Company and the South Troy Company, two pioneer land companies. Ebenezer Wiswall III married Catherine Learned, also a native of Watervliet, and both died in the village of West Troy.

Their son, Charles E. Wiswall, the grandfather of Frank L. Wiswall, was born in the town of Colonie and as a young man managed the lumber interests of his father at Port Austin, Michigan, afterward owning and cultivating a large farm at Ballston Lake in Saratoga county, New York. Subsequently he operated a dredge on the Hudson river and was thus engaged until 1900, when he retired. The latter part of his life was spent in Richmond Hill, Long Island, New York. His wife, Mary A. (Dayton) Wiswall, was also a native of Colonie and a graduate of the famous Emma Willard School of Troy, New York. Her demise occurred at Richmond Hill, Long Island.

Their son, Charles Dayton Wiswall, the father of Frank L. Wiswall, was born in Watervliet, March 31, 1861, and there resided until his death on the 20th of June, 1921, following the profession of a veterinary dentist. His political support was given to the republican party and he was a member of the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church of Troy. In young manhood he had married Mary Lawton, who was born in Nyack, New York, December 11, 1865, and resides with her son, Frank L. Wiswall, in Loudonville. Her father, George F. Lawton, a native of Providence, Rhode Island, became well known in that city as a hat manufacturer and later engaged in the same line of business at Troy, New York, there remaining until his death. During the

Civil war he was a Union officer, holding the rank of lieutenant. His wife, Maria (Marsh) Lawton, was also a native of Rhode Island and passed away in West Troy.

Frank L. Wiswall acquired his high school education in Watervliet, graduating with the class of 1912, and made preparation for a legal career by taking a course of study in the Albany Law School, which numbers him among its alumni of 1916. In March, 1917, he was admitted to the bar and at once located in Troy, forming a partnership with Chester Wood, with whom he practiced until September, 1917, when he entered the army. He was in training at Camp Devens near Boston, Massachusetts, and was first with the infantry forces, after which he was transferred to the department of the judge advocate general. In July, 1918, he went overseas and while in France was identified with the Seventy-sixth Division. At Camp Devens he was mustered out of the service as a regimental sergeant major and resumed practice in Troy as a member of the firm of Wood & Wiswall. This became Wood, Wiswall & Foley in February, 1919, and under that form the business was conducted until 1921, when Mr. Wiswall withdrew from the firm, joining William Van Rensselaer Ewing in the practice of law at Albany, New York. In January, 1922, Charles J. Tobin, Charles W. Walton and Frank L. Wiswall combined their legal interests under the name of Tobin, Wiswall & Walton and this name was retained until 1923 when the firm became Tobin, Wiswall, Walton & Wood, which was reorganized in 1926, when the present style of Wiswall, Walton, Wood & MacAffer was adopted, Chester Wood and Kenneth S. MacAffer having been members of the previous firm. They have their offices at 112 State street and are regarded as one of the strongest legal combinations in Albany. Mr. Wiswall is well versed in the fundamental principles of jurisprudence and his ability is manifest in the logic of his deductions and the clearness of his reasoning. He has charge of important legal interests and is also identified with the newspaper business as president and director of the Cohoes American.

On the 28th of August, 1924, Mr. Wiswall was married in

Albany to Miss Clara Elizabeth Chapman, who was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, and there obtained her early education, continuing her studies in the public schools of Albany. She is a daughter of Clarence W. and Catherine (Sykes) Chapman, of Albany, and by her marriage she has become the mother of two children, Elaine Joyce, born August 24, 1925, and Betty Ann, born May 16, 1931.

The family have membership in Emanuel Baptist Church and Mr. Wiswall is one of its trustees. As a candidate of the republican party he was elected to the New York state assembly in the fall of 1919 and represented the third district of Albany county for one term. In the fall of 1920 he was elected to the state senate from the thirtieth senatorial district, comprising Albany county, and served during the session of 1921-22. During his tenure of office he used his influence to carry out the will of his constituents and his support of a measure was an indication of his firm belief in its efficacy and value as a factor in state government. In the spring of 1921 he became chairman of the republican county committee and was also attorney for Albany county at the same time. He continued as chairman of the county committee in 1922 and 1923 and was also a member of the executive committee of the republican state committee, materially furthering the interests of the party. Appreciative of the social amenities of life, he is identified with the Schuyler Meadows Country Club, the Albany Country Club, and with the Fort Orange Club, of which he is a trustee. He is a devotee of golf and also enjoys horseback riding, owning some fine saddle horses. Mrs. Wiswall is a member of the Monday Musical Club, the Woman's Club of Albany and the Southern New England Women's Club. A prominent Mason, Mr. Wiswall belongs to Evening Star Lodge, No. 75, F. & A. M., at Watervliet; Hudson River Chapter, R. A. M., of Watervliet; Boss Council, R. & S. M., at Troy; the Delta bodies of the Scottish Rite in Troy; and Albany Sovereign Consistory, A. A. S. R. His name appears on the board of trustees of the Albany Law School and he has membership in the American Legion, the Albany Chamber of Com-

merce, the Delta Chi fraternity, the Albany County Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association and the American Bar Association. The activities and interests of his life are evenly balanced, making his a symmetrical development. A broad-minded man, he looks at significant questions from a rational standpoint, reaching his conclusions after hard and logical thinking, and his professional colleagues and the general public unite in bearing testimony to his ability as a lawyer and his high character.

NELSON LE VAN HAVER

Nelson Le Van Haver, engaged in the practice of law at Kingston, was born in Olive Bridge, Ulster county, March 22, 1905, and is a son of William and Elizabeth (Hover) Haver. His maternal grandparents, Darius W. and Carrie Hover, removed from Greene county, New York, to Ulster county, settling in the town of Olive, where they resided for a number of years. William Haver was born in Delaware county, New York, and conducted a hotel at Olive Bridge for ten years. In 1908 he came with his family to Kingston and here engaged in general contracting, establishing a business of substantial proportions. He became the father of two sons, Burton Le Velle and Nelson Le Van. The former was born October 30, 1902, and supplemented his high school education by attendance at St. Stephen's College at Annandale-on-Hudson, where he was graduated in 1926. Afterward he devoted three years to educational work, teaching in the Roslyn and Huntington high schools on Long Island, and then returned to Kingston. Here he embarked in the furniture business in partnership with William Hardenbergh, opening a store on Main street in 1929. On the 30th of August, 1926, he married Miss Sallie Davis, a daughter of Ferris J. and Nora B. Davis, of Kingston, and they now have two children: William Ferris, who was born April 3, 1928; and Priscilla Ann, born January 3, 1930.

The younger son, Nelson Le Van Haver, was graduated from the Kingston high school with the class of 1922 and then entered the law office of Frederick G. Traver, district attorney, with whom he continued for three years. In September, 1925, he enrolled as a student in the Albany Law School, which conferred upon him the degree of LL. B. in 1928, and on September 20 of that year he was admitted to the bar. He has since been associated with John W. Eckert, whose office is located in the Kingston Trust Company building, and to the solution of intricate legal problems he brings to bear an analytical, well trained mind and a clear understanding of the principles of jurisprudence.

On the 18th of August, 1928, Mr. Haver was married to Miss Jacquelyn Monroe, who was born November 18, 1903, and is a daughter of John R. and Elizabeth S. (Secor) Monroe, residents of Kingston, where the father has charge of the S. D. Coykendahl estate. Mr. and Mrs. Haver are parents of a daughter, Barbara Elizabeth, born February 22, 1931. Mr. Haver gives all of his attention to legal work and through earnest effort and the exercise of his talents, natural and acquired, is steadily advancing in a most exacting profession.

CLARENCE CLARK VAN FLEET

Since 1929 Clarence Clark Van Fleet has served as mayor of Middletown, making an enviable record as the official head of the city government, and stands equally high as a business man. He was born in Florida, Orange county, New York, October 8, 1887, and is a son of Samuel Van Fleet and a grandson of Charles D. Van Fleet, and descended from an old family of New York. As the name indicates, the family is of Dutch origin and its first representative in America sailed from Utrecht, Holland, as a passenger on the ship Trouw, landing at New Amsterdam on June 13, 1662. Samuel Van Fleet was born in 1848 and has reached the eighty-third milestone on life's journey. His wife, whose maiden name was Emma Horton, passed away in 1914. She was a



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descendant of Barnabas Horton, who landed at Freehold, Long Island, in the sixteenth century, and a monument has been erected to his memory. Four children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Van Fleet: Ira H., whose home is in Ellenville, Ulster county, New York; Bertha E., of Middletown; Clarence Clark, of this review; and Charles E., a resident of Rockville Center, Long Island.

Clarence C. Van Fleet obtained a high school education and afterward worked for and studied law in the office of Kane & Stage, a firm of attorneys in Warwick, with whom he spent two years. He was next with the Borden Condensed Milk Company for four years and was then employed in the accounting department of the Edison electric light plant at Newark, New Jersey. In 1918 he came to Middletown and embarked in the oil business, in which he has continued to the present time, operating under the style of the Middletown Oil Company. As its president he brings to bear the initiative, forcefulness and mature judgment of the true executive and has developed a prosperous business which is steadily expanding.

Mr. Van Fleet was married June 3, 1917, in New York city to Miss Blanche Vincent, a daughter of Edgar C. and Emma (Wallach) Vincent, of New Rochelle, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Van Fleet now have three children: Robert S., Clarence C. and Jean E., aged respectively twelve, ten and seven years.

Mr. Van Fleet is a member of the First Congregational Church and his political support is given to the republican party. In 1929 he was the choice of the people of Middletown for mayor and has been strongly commended for his economic oversight of the city's expenditures as well as for the progressive movements which he has inaugurated. He is president of the Monhagen Hose Company, is serving on the local committee of Boy Scouts and is also active in the Young Men's Christian Association of Orange county. He is a member of the New York State and International Associations of Chiefs of Police, of the National Republican Club, which has its headquarters in New York city, the Middletown Club, Chamber of Commerce, the Orange County

Country Club, the City Club of Newburgh and the Kiwanis Club. He is likewise a Knight Templar Mason and has membership in the Tall Cedars of Lebanon. That Mayor Van Fleet is a broad-gauged man is shown by the nature and scope of his interests, which are evenly balanced, making for a well-rounded development. His standards of life are high and the respect that is uniformly accorded him is well merited.

LORIN S. CALLAHAN

Lorin S. Callahan, town clerk of Highland, has long been the incumbent of that office and is also a successful merchant. He was born May 9, 1890, in the community where he still resides, and is of Irish lineage. Leaving the Emerald isle, his paternal grandparents made the trip to the United States and settled on land near Poughkeepsie in Dutchess county, New York, where the grandfather engaged in farming throughout the remainder of his life. Born on that place, John Callahan, the father of Lorin S. Callahan, attended the district school of the locality and early became familiar with agricultural pursuits, which he followed throughout life, passing away in 1893. His wife, Lizzie (Thompson) Callahan, was also born in the Empire state. She was married in Highland and became the mother of two sons, James and Lorin S. The former acquired a common school education and then learned the plumber's trade, to which he gave his attention for several years, but is now engaged in railroad work in Maybrook, New York. He is married and has a son, Robert, who is attending school.

Reared in Highland, Lorin S. Callahan attended its grammar and high schools and at the age of sixteen obtained work in the grocery store conducted by William E. Wilcox, with whom he continued for six years. Afterward he was in the employ of H. Erickson and later with H. Seeman, grocers, and in 1923 established a store of his own in Highland, where he has successfully conducted the business for eight years. The best goods the markets afford are found in his establishment, which caters

to a discriminating class of patrons and is regarded as one of the most complete and up-to-date groceries in this part of the valley. Broad experience has made him thoroughly conversant with every phase of the trade and his mercantile interests are wisely and profitably conducted.

A strong republican in politics, Mr. Callahan was elected on that ticket to the office of town clerk, and the fact that he has been continued therein for a period of eighteen years clearly indicates his exceptional qualifications for such service and his devotion to the interests intrusted to his care. In community affairs he takes a keen interest and for several years was identified with the fire department of Highland. He has fraternal connections with Highland Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Kingston Lodge, No. 550, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and Adonai Lodge, No. 718, F. & A. M., at Highland. Depending upon his own efforts from an early age, Mr. Callahan has found that the field of opportunity is ever open to those who have the courage to persevere therein and is esteemed for the sterling qualities that have made possible his success.

THEODORE M. COX

Among the pioneer commercial institutions which have figured in Albany's upbuilding and advancement is that conducted under the name of the Cox Brass Manufacturing Company and controlled by Theodore M. Cox, whose life has been largely devoted to the one line of business. Born in this city November 28, 1883, he is a son of John Cox and a grandson of George and Jane (Morgan) Cox, who came to this country from England, settling in Albany, where both passed away. John Cox, also a native of England, was born August 1, 1850, and in his youth came with his parents to the United States. He was the founder of the business which was incorporated as the Cox Brass Manufacturing Company of Albany in 1872, and for a number of years his father was associated with him in the un-

dertaking. As the directing head of this institution John Cox created one of the important productive industries of the city and is now living retired in Ocean Grove, New Jersey. He has membership in the Methodist Episcopal Church and is allied with the republican party but has never sought political office. His wife, Margaret W. (Chandler) Cox, also a native of England, passed away in Albany, where the demise of her parents, William W. and Margaret (Whitehead) Chandler, likewise occurred. At one time Mr. Chandler was secretary to John V. L. Pruyn, now deceased, a prominent banker of Albany.

Having mastered the branches of learning taught in the local schools, Theodore M. Cox enrolled as a student in the Albany Business College in preparation for a commercial career, and when his course was completed he went to work for his father. Starting as a clerk, his industry and perseverance enabled him to advance through the various departments and thus he acquired an intimate knowledge of the business. Year by year his responsibilities were increased and in 1924 he was elected president and treasurer. These offices he has occupied for seven years, wisely and capably administering the affairs of the Cox Brass Manufacturing Company and at the same time instituting well devised plans for its continued growth and success. Located at 406 Pearl street, the company has the latest and most improved appliances used in the manufacture of brass goods and its products have ever been maintained at a high standard. Mr. Cox is also the president and treasurer of the Hymes & Cox Electric Corporation, which was established in Albany in 1925 and under his guidance this business has likewise grown and prospered. This company specializes in electric home water heaters.

On the 24th of October, 1906, Mr. Cox was married in Albany to Miss Helen Sheldon, a native of Middleburg, New York, and a daughter of Theodore Sheldon and his wife, whose maiden name was Thomas, both now deceased. Mr. Sheldon was a successful contractor who made substantial contribution to the up-

building of his part of the state. His daughter, Mrs. Cox, obtained her early instruction in Middleburg and attended high school in Albany. By her marriage she has become the mother of one child, Helen S., who was born November 17, 1910, and is a graduate of St. Agnes Academy. Mr. and Mrs. Cox are active in the work of Calvary Methodist Episcopal Church, of which he is a trustee, and his right of franchise is exercised in support of the candidates of the republican party. A Scottish Rite Mason, he belongs to Masters Lodge, No. 5, F. & A. M., and to other Masonic bodies, including Cyprus Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He is also a member of the Rotary Club, the Albany Country Club, the Aurania Club, the Albany Chamber of Commerce and the National Electric Light Association. Knowing the value of outdoor exercise, Mr. Cox plays golf when he has the leisure and is always mentally alert in business, quick to perceive an opportunity and equally prompt in utilizing it. At the same time he is always prepared for a possible emergency and has ever been guided by those high principles which constitute the basis of all honorable and desirable prosperity.

WILSON DEAN HAYS

A native of the south, Wilson Dean Hays lived for several years in the west, where, as a prominent mining engineer, he was closely associated with the work of development and progress, and he now makes his home in Kingston. He was born in Culpeper Court House, Virginia, April 5, 1874, a son of Calhoun Hays, who was born in Glenville, that state, June 10, 1841. The grandfather, Samuel L. Hays, figured prominently in national affairs and while a member of congress appointed his nephew, Stonewall Jackson, to West Point. A man of strict integrity and keen sagacity, Mr. Hays was intrusted by the government with public funds. Before the Civil war he had many slaves and gave sixteen to his son Calhoun, who accompanied him on a trip to Minnesota in 1861. However, they did not remain long in

that state, returning to Virginia at the outbreak of the conflict between the north and the south, and Samuel L. Hays enlisted in the infantry branch of the Confederate Army, with which he served until the end of the war.

Calhoun Hays obtained his early instruction from a private tutor and pursued the study of law in the University of Virginia at Lexington. With his admission to the bar he located for practice in Culpeper Court House, subsequently becoming judge of the district court, which office he continued to fill until his death, which occurred at Glenville on the 10th of September, 1921, when he was eighty years of age. In young manhood he married Levina Lambert, a native of Maine, and they were the parents of six sons and six daughters, eight of whom are living. Robert E. Hays, one of the sons, was called to the bench while residing at Parkersburg, West Virginia, and R. L. Hays, another son, served as collector of internal revenue.

After completing a course in the State Normal School at Glenville, Virginia, W. Dean Hays studied law and was admitted to the bar in West Virginia, but did not practice that profession, taking up mining engineering instead. He remained in West Virginia until 1908, when he journeyed westward to Montana, and engaged in banking at Red Lodge, sixty miles north of Billings. Later he was general manager for the Gold Reef Mining & Milling Company of Wyoming at Meeteetse, one hundred miles south of Red Lodge. At that place he established the First National Bank, which became one of the leading financial institutions of the state. He served as a councilman, as mayor and as city treasurer of Meeteetse and in 1906 was appointed United States commissioner for the state of Wyoming. Mr. Hays resigned the position in 1907, shortly before his removal to the state of Washington, and located in Chehalis, where he was engaged in banking for three years. While living in Washington he was again called upon for public service, becoming a member of the state legislature in 1912 and the state senate in 1914. With his return to Montana in 1915 he established his home in Hardin, sixty miles east of Billings, and there resumed his min-

ing activities. He served as president of the Chamber of Commerce at Hardin.

In Lexington, Kentucky, Mr. Hays married Miss Ora Penrod, who passed away in Hardin, Montana, in 1923, leaving two daughters. Blendine, the elder, was born in Charleston, West Virginia, and attended the Annie Wright Seminary at Tacoma and the University of Washington at Seattle. In Paris, France, she studied music under the best instructors and is now a vocalist of note. She was one of the principal singers at the convention of war veterans held in Paris and broadcasted for several years over station WOR at Newark, New Jersey. On the 6th of August, 1920, she was married in Hardin, Montana, to Edward Bickel, a graduate of the University of Washington. He enlisted April 6, 1918, and went overseas. During the World war he was a captain in the British Flying Corps, with which he afterward served in Jerusalem and Egypt during the period of readjustment, having obtained special permission from the United States government. Although a graduate attorney, he has never practiced law, choosing the profession of gold mining instead, and is now president of the Harkness-Hays Gold Mining Company, maintaining offices in New York city and in San Francisco. Margaret Hays, the younger daughter, was born in Meeteetse, Wyoming, and after attending the high school at Hardin and the Polytechnic School at Billings, Montana, she studied instrumental music, becoming an accomplished organist and pianist. She married Charles F. Pecor, a native of Georgia and a member of an old family of the south. He is well known as a writer and edits the "Knots Notes," a New York city publication. Mr. and Mrs. Pecor have two children: Mary Jane, and Pamela. On the 21st of April, 1930, Senator Hays was married in Kingston to Mrs. Kathryn (Deyo) Boice, widow of Hewitt Boice, whose sketch appears elsewhere in this work; and they reside at 110 Fair street, Kingston. Mrs. Hays is a member of Wiltwyck chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution and has long been a member of the First Reformed Dutch Church, and in 1928 donated to the church the fine echo organ

with chimes and harp attachments. A woman of broad culture and intellectual attainments she has taken a deep and active interest in furthering the cause of education.

Senator Hays is a Mason, identified with the blue lodge of Hardin, Montana; the Commandery of Chehalis, Washington, the consistory of Olympia, Washington, and Afifi Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Tacoma, that state. He also has fraternal affiliations with the Hardin lodges of the Knights of Pythias and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the camp of the Modern Woodmen of America at Meetectse, Wyoming, the camp of the Woodmen of the World at Red Lodge, Montana, and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks at Red Lodge. He is likewise a member of the Young Men's Christian Association of Schreiber, Ontario, and the Canadian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy at Montreal. With a comprehensive understanding of the practical as well as the scientific phases of the profession, he developed his powers to a high point of efficiency, at the same time aiding in bringing to light the rich mineral resources of the undeveloped west. His clear vision and his broad grasp of affairs have been manifest in his attitude concerning affairs of public importance, and Kingston accounts him a valuable addition to her citizenship.

SETH WHEELER, JR.

Seth Wheeler, Jr., who for more than a quarter of a century has been active in the management of the Albany Perforated Wrapping Paper Company, which he represents in the capacities of vice president and production manager, has back of him an ancestry honorable and distinguished and his lines of life have been cast in harmony therewith. Born in this city April 1, 1878, he is of English lineage and members of the family are found among members of parliament, the knighthood and the landed gentry in the counties of Worcester, Warwick, York, Middlesex, Durham, Kent and Nottingham. In the seventeenth century



SETH WHEELER, SR.

they were baronets and a representative of the name became governor of Leewood island. Preeminent in the world of letters, the Wheelers have made valuable contributions to theology, history, science, art, poetry and philosophy and few families have surpassed theirs in achievements.

The genealogy in America has been traced back to John Wheeler, of Fairfield, a signer of the fundamental articles of agreement for settlement of Woodbury, Connecticut. John Wheeler II, the next in line of descent, resided in Stratford, Connecticut, with his wife, Ruth Wheeler, and they were the parents of Thomas Wheeler, who married Sarah Stiles. Henry Wheeler, supposed to be a son of Thomas and Sarah (Stiles) Wheeler, married Deborah Underhill and they were the parents of Thomas Wheeler, whose wife was Elizabeth O'Connor. Their son, William Wheeler, married Martha Thorn and among their children was Alonzo Wheeler, who became the grandfather of Seth Wheeler, Jr.

Alonzo Wheeler was born in Chatham, New York, January 12, 1805, and became a wagon builder. Later he invented and perfected a tool that would mortice a square hole, making the first device ever used for that purpose. Subsequently he became interested in whaling and while thus engaged made several long voyages, one of which was of three years' duration. In his later years he was associated with his brother, William Wheeler, in the operation of a sash, door and blind factory at Chatham, New York, where they also manufactured agricultural implements until 1849, when the business was moved to Albany and continued under the name of Wheeler, Melick & Company. In this city Alonzo Wheeler passed away in 1867, when sixty-two years of age.

Seth Wheeler, Sr., a son of Alonzo and Harriet Hatch (Bishop) Wheeler, was born in Chatham, May 18, 1838, and won prominence as a mechanical engineer, inventor and business man. He succeeded his father as president of Wheeler, Melick & Company, at that time the foremost manufacturers of agricultural implements in the east, and was identified with the concern until

1872. During 1871-72 he built and patented a machine for furnishing wrapping paper in rolls instead of flat sheets, and in 1874 organized the Rolled Wrapping Paper Company for the manufacture of rolled paper under his own patent. In 1877 he formed the Albany Perforated Wrapping Paper Company, becoming its president, and developed an industry of large proportions. His mechanical genius was supplemented by executive ability of a high order—a rare combination—and success in notable measure was his. In financial circles he was well known as president and a trustee of the Albany County Savings Bank and a director of the New York State National Bank. His name was associated with a number of local enterprises and his death on the 21st of May, 1925, at the age of eighty-seven years, deprived Albany of one her outstanding citizens. Mr. Wheeler was a faithful member of Emanuel Baptist Church and gave his political support to the republican party. His wife, Elizabeth (Boyd) Wheeler, a daughter of William Alexander and Sarah Maria (Sternburg) Boyd, was born in Middleburg, Schoharie county, New York, July 11, 1839, and departed this life in Albany, January 1, 1911, when seventy-one years of age.

Their son, Seth Wheeler, Jr., completed a course in the Albany Academy in 1898 and after attending the Stevens Preparatory School enrolled as a student in the Stevens Institute of Technology at Hoboken, New Jersey, with the class of 1903. Upon leaving that institution of learning he went to Sparrows Point, where he entered the employ of the Maryland Steel Company, spending a year with that corporation, and in 1904 was made assistant superintendent of the by-products department of the Michigan Alkali Company of Wyandotte. In 1905 he returned to his native city, becoming associated with the Albany Perforated Wrapping Paper Company, and in 1907 was made vice president and general superintendent. Afterward he discharged the duties of vice president and general manager and in 1930 was elected president, resigning in October of that year to become vice president, production manager and a member of the board of directors. His technical knowledge and skill enable

him to successfully manage the operating end of the business and his well defined plans and administrative powers have constituted effective elements in its development and progress. The business was started at 318 Broadway, where it was continued until 1880, when they removed to 54 Hudson avenue, after which they successively moved, in 1883, to Hudson and Quail street, in 1886 to Colonie and Montgomery streets and in 1916 the building which they now occupy was erected at 1273 Broadway, and removal was made to this location. They are internationally known as manufacturers of toilet paper and paper towels and ship their products to many parts of the world, maintaining branch offices in all of the large cities. While occupying the vice presidency of the Albany Perforated Wrapping Paper Company, Mr. Wheeler was elected president of the A. P. W. Pulp & Power Company of Sheet Harbour, Nova Scotia, and thus served for seven years, from 1923 until 1930. He is thoroughly informed upon matters relative to the manufacture of paper and through experimental work in his laboratory has materially promoted that industry.

On the 3d of November, 1904, Mr. Wheeler was married in Detroit, Michigan, to Miss Alice Emily Chadwick Fitch, who was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, and attended private schools of Connecticut. She is chairman of the volunteer service committee of the American Red Cross Society and belongs to the City Club of Albany, the Woman's Club, the Albany Country Club and the Schuyler Meadows Country Club. Her religious belief is indicated in her connection with St. Peter's Episcopal Church and Mr. Wheeler attends Emanuel Baptist Church, while in politics he is a republican. During the World war he was chief of the local division of the American Protective League, operating under the United States department of justice. For five years he was a member of Troop B of the New York National Guard and he now holds the rank of major in the Reserve Officers Corps, attached to the office of the assistant secretary of war in Washington, D. C. He has a life membership in the American Forestry Association, the Fort Orange Club and the University Club. He

is also identified with the Albany Country Club, the Schuyler Meadows Country Club, the New York Athletic Club, the Halifax Club and the Watervliet Fish & Game Club. Through his association with the Chamber of Commerce he is stimulating Albany's growth along business lines, and his college fraternity is the Delta Beta Pi. In his chosen field of endeavor Mr. Wheeler has attained high standing and is a valued member of the Albany Society of Engineers, the New York State Society of Professional Engineers, the American Society of Military Engineers and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

JOHN F. ROGERS, M. D.

Dr. John F. Rogers is one of the younger members of the medical fraternity of Poughkeepsie, where he is practicing successfully as a specialist in the diseases of women. He was born in this city on the 27th of February, 1897, and is a son of Fred M. and Elizabeth (Maher) Rogers, the latter of Irish lineage. Born in Swansea, Massachusetts, the father is a scion of one of the early families of New England. Nathan C. Rogers, the first representative of the family, was born in this country and settled in Norwich, Connecticut, in 1771, subsequently removing to Massachusetts. His son, Amasa Rogers, born March 20, 1795, married Sophia Slate and they were the parents of Justice Rogers, whose marriage to Mary Ann White, of Chesterfield, Massachusetts, was solemnized by the Rev. William Marble. Their son, Fred Melvin Rogers, was born in Swansea, April 18, 1858, and in young manhood came to Poughkeepsie, where he spent the remainder of his life.

Dr. John Frederick Rogers, an only child, here acquired his grammar and high school education, which was followed by a classical course in Columbia University, and was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Arts. In April, 1918, he enlisted in the United States Navy and was in training at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Boston until he was sent to the Good-

year flying school at Akron, Ohio, where he was appointed chief quartermaster. At his discharge he became connected with the United States shipping board in the capacity of an accountant—a position which he occupied for four years. He then enrolled in the medical department of Columbia University and won his M. D. degree in 1928. After serving as an interne at the Sloane Hospital for Women and also on the staff of the Staten Island Hospital in New York city he located in Poughkeepsie, and a large and rapidly growing practice is indicative of the confidence reposed in his knowledge and skill. He specializes in obstetrics and gynecology and his office is at 66 Cannon street.

Dr. Rogers was married in the Little Church Around the Corner in New York city, to Miss Kathryn Louise Heilich, who was born in Dunellen, New Jersey, a daughter of Fred and Louise Heilich and a graduate of the nurses training school of the Staten Island Hospital. The Doctor belongs to the Dutchess County Golf & Country Club and to the American Legion. His college fraternities are Zeta Psi and Nu Sigma Nu and he is also a member of the Alumni associations of the College of Physicians and Surgeons and the Sloane Hospital for Women. As deputy chief surgeon, in charge of the medical department, he renders efficient service to the members of the volunteer fire department of Poughkeepsie, and his talents, natural and acquired, his energy and devotion to his work insure his continued progress in his profession.

ELIZABETH M. WILSON

Outstanding among the business women of the Hudson River Valley is Elizabeth M. Wilson, of Albany, New York, who is president of the well known real estate firm of C. G. Robinson, Incorporated, and is owner of the Capital Employment Agency.

Mrs. Wilson was born August 1, 1880, in Greene county, New York, a daughter of William Traver and Lois (Chichester) Traver. She is descended from one of the prominent old families

of Greene county, and for many years her father owned and operated large knitting mills. She received her education in private schools in the south, where she passed the winters during her youth. On February 3, 1900, she was married to William Wilson, of Clermont, Columbia county, New York, and to this union there was born a daughter, Marcia L., who is the wife of Andrew W. Lindgren of New York city. Shortly after the daughter's birth, Mr. Wilson passed away, and to the widow fell the responsibility of caring for herself and child. With rare courage and good judgment, she then entered the business world, first in the employ of the C. G. Robinson Real Estate Company. Her first work was in the capacity of part time saleswoman, but her services proved so valuable and her ability so marked that within a very short time she was employed full time, and rapidly arose to an executive position. In the year 1930, soon after the death of Mr. Robinson, she became president of the firm, which is now a corporation. She not only is in full charge of the conduct of this business, but is likewise the owner and manager of the Capital Employment Agency. She has gained a reputation as an accomplished business woman, a woman of gracious personality and of fine decision. Her favorite diversion in life is in outdoor sports, and she is known widely as an expert horsewoman. Mrs. Wilson's offices are situated at 18-20 Pearl street, and her residence is at Locust Park, Schenectady road, in Albany.

JOHN TANCREDI

Prompted by a laudable ambition, John Tancredi has exerted every effort to advance, and along the path of opportunity open to all he has arrived at the goal of success, occupying a prominent place in business circles of Kingston, where he is engaged in the manufacture of brushes. He was born at Rotonda, in the province of Potenza, Italy, September 21, 1886, and is a son of Joseph and Mary Tancredi, the former a native of the same place. The father became a telegrapher, devoting many years

to that line of work, and served for a time as postmaster of Rotonda. He is now retired but the mother has passed away. Eleven children were born to them and nine are yet living. All remained in Italy except John Tancredi and his two sisters: Catherine, who married Michael Goffredi, a real estate dealer of Kingston, and has six children; and Amalia, who is the wife of Louis Dutto, the owner of considerable property in Kingston, and has become the mother of two children. The son, Francis Tancredi, succeeded his father in the position of telegrapher and has also occupied the office of postmaster for a number of years.

Reared in his native town, John Tancredi pursued his studies in its public schools and for three years was a pupil in a private school. At an early age he started to learn telegraphy, working under his father for some time, and remained at home until he attained the age of nineteen. In 1905 he sailed for America, landing at New York, and was in the employ of a brush manufacturing firm of that city for two years. In 1908 he removed to Kingston and was here engaged in the grocery business until 1920. He then leased the Eichler Hotel, continuing as its proprietor for six years, or until 1926, when he became interested in the brush manufacturing business now under the name of The Herbert Company, Inc. They have a modern factory on Greenkill street, equipped with machinery for making all kinds of brushes, and in normal times they employ about forty people. There is a wide demand for their products, which compare favorably with the best on the market, and shipments are made to many parts of the United States. The business has enjoyed a rapid growth, due to the carefully formulated plans, the close attention to detail and the efficient methods instituted by Mr. Tancredi, who is a forceful executive, thoroughly informed regarding the latest developments in the brush industry.

On the 8th of June, 1913, Mr. Tancredi was married to Miss Anna Brewer, a daughter of Edward and Helen Brewer and a member of one of the old families of Kingston. Her father died many years ago and was long survived by the mother, who passed away in 1929. Mr. and Mrs. Tancredi have three chil-

dren: Helen A., who is taking a general course in Mount St. Vincent's Academy of New York city; and Dorothy E. and John J., who are pursuing their studies in Kingston. The family are faithful communicants of St. Joseph's Catholic Church and Mr. Tancredi is a member of the Kingston Club and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In 1925 he returned to Italy to revisit the scenes of his childhood and in 1927 made a second trip to his native country, being accompanied by his entire family. He considers Kingston a most desirable place of residence and has a pretentious home at 185 Albany avenue. Coming to the United States with youth, energy and intelligence as his principal assets, he has made good and well merits the proud American title of self-made man.

ANDREW J. SNYDER

Andrew J. Snyder, a well known lime and cement manufacturer, is engaged in a business which has been in existence in Rosendale for more than a century. From generation to generation it has been carried forward by members of the family, who have lived here for more than two hundred and sixty years, taking an important part in the work of upbuilding and progress. Born November 25, 1889, he is of Dutch lineage and traces his ancestry back to Jacob Snyder, who came to this country from Holland about the year 1665, locating in Dutchess county, New York, at the time of the settlement of New Paltz by the Huguenots. The lineage of Andrew J. Snyder is traced down from Jacob Snyder, the emigrant ancestor, through Christopher, Jacob, Andrew, John James, Andrew J. and Charles, the latter being the father of Andrew J., whose name opens this sketch. Jacob Snyder, of the third generation, was born in 1726 and settled in Rosendale in 1755. He took up government land and subsequently added to it by purchase until he accumulated a large tract. Some of this property is yet held by the family and Andrew J. Snyder is now in possession of the homestead. The



Andrew J. Snyder.

original stone house on the farm was erected in 1809 by Jacob Lowe Snyder, who was the father of Catharine Snyder, mentioned further on in this article. In the early days he built and operated a grist mill on Rondout creek and in 1825, when the canal was completed, he opened a general store, of which he was the proprietor for several years.

Andrew Snyder, son of Jacob and the fourth in line of descent from Jacob Snyder, the founder of the family in America, was born May 1, 1762, and died in 1841. He was a teacher and also a physician. His son, John James Snyder, the great-grandfather of Andrew J. Snyder, was born in Hurley, New York, February 6, 1799, and passed away March 25, 1874. As a young man he taught school and about 1830 took up surveying. For a number of years he engaged in surveying in Ulster county. He was a prominent man in the community, and was often called upon to draw up deeds, wills and other important papers.

His son, Andrew J. Snyder, the grandfather of A. J. Snyder of this sketch, was born in Rosendale, Hurley township, Ulster county, July 5, 1823, and remained at home to the age of sixteen. He then became a farm hand, working for six dollars per month, and was thus employed until the spring of 1844, when he entered upon an apprenticeship as a carpenter and wheelwright. He followed those trades until 1848, when he became identified with the cement industry as superintendent of a quarry on the farm owned by Silas Snyder. In 1850 he opened a quarry on his own property and was connected with the manufacture of cement until 1853, when he turned to agricultural pursuits, which claimed his attention until 1860, when he again engaged in the cement business on his farm, achieving marked success therein. Long a member of the Dutch Reformed Church, he filled the offices of deacon and elder, and was recognized as one of the most highly esteemed citizens of the community. On the 14th of November, 1850, he married Catharine Snyder, who was a daughter of Jacob Lowe Snyder, of Rosendale. She was born December 13, 1831, and her death occurred July 29, 1879. She was long survived by her husband, who passed away in 1902, when seventy-nine years of age.

Their son, Charles Snyder, was born on the homestead at Rosendale, April 11, 1869, and when his education was completed took charge of the cement plant, which he operated until his death, August 2, 1897, at the early age of twenty-eight years, after which the business was carried on by William B. Snyder until 1910. Charles Snyder married Minnie Palen of Stone Ridge, New York, daughter of John H. and Sarah (Webster) Palen, and they were the parents of two children: Andrew J.; and Sarah, who resides at the homestead. Mrs. Snyder died September 24, 1927.

Andrew J. Snyder acquired his elementary instruction in the Rosendale school, continuing his studies in Kingston Academy and the Eastman Business College. In 1911 he purchased the entire property of A. J. Snyder & Sons, including the homestead and plant. This had a capacity of three hundred thousand barrels of cement annually. The product was shipped on boats which were loaded at the mill and went by canal and the Hudson river direct to New York city and other ports. After acquiring this property Mr. Snyder dismantled the large plant and erected a new and smaller plant, with a capacity of three hundred barrels of cement and sixty tons of lime per day. He continued with this equipment in the manufacture of lime and cement until 1928 and in 1929 the Snyder interests were taken over in leasehold by a Cleveland (Ohio) syndicate and one of the most modern plants in the country was here constructed. It has a capacity of fifteen hundred barrels of cement per day and later the output will be increased to twenty-five hundred barrels. The mill equipment and expenditures amounted to four hundred thousand dollars. The new organization is known as the Century Cement Corporation, which has its headquarters at 104 Park avenue, New York city. On four hundred acres of this property the corporation has a valuable mineral deposit and with this a special mortar and masonry cement is made for brick, stone and tile. The product is considered the best obtainable for this purpose and has a wide sale throughout New England as well as in the central and southern states. Mr. Snyder continued as

manager of the plant of the Century Cement Corporation until 1930, when he resigned to devote his attention to the lime plant at Tillson, which he purchased, and constructed a modern lime plant of seventy-five tons daily capacity with ideas of further development. He produces lime for the building trade and for agricultural uses, conducting his operations under the firm style of A. J. Snyder Lime Company. This property was formerly a part of the well known and extensive Miller interests.

Mr. Snyder was married October 7, 1920, to Miss Adelaide Hale, a daughter of Mortimer Hale, of Brooklyn, New York. Mr. Snyder is an earnest, helpful member of the Dutch Reformed Church, with which his family has been identified for generations. He also belongs to the Holland Society and to the Ulster County Society. A resourceful business man of keen sagacity, he has made his efforts a vital element in the development of one of the oldest, largest and most important productive industries of its kind in this part of the country, and his achievements have brought additional prestige to the family name, which for more than two and one-half centuries has been an honored one throughout the Hudson River Valley.

ARTHUR G. CARR

As undertakers and embalmers members of the Carr family are widely known in Kingston, and the business established here forty-two years ago by the father is now successfully controlled by Arthur G. Carr, who retains the original style of A. Carr & Son. Born in this city March 8, 1878, he is a son of Albert Carr, who was born in Washingtonville, Orange county, New York, December 7, 1840. The father acquired a public school education and in 1861, at the first call for troops, enlisted for service in the Civil war, becoming a member of the Twentieth Regiment of New York Militia. At the expiration of his term he returned to Kingston, where he reenlisted August 13, 1862, as a private in Company B, One Hundred and Twentieth Regiment of New

York Volunteer Infantry, for a period of three years. He had become sergeant major when he left Kingston for the front on the 24th of August, 1862, and won the commission of second lieutenant in 1863, while in the following year he was promoted to the rank of first lieutenant. He was wounded in the battle of Gettysburg but afterward recuperated sufficiently to join his comrades and was in active service until his honorable discharge in 1865. Five years later, or in 1870, he became a salesman for a furniture and undertaking house, continuing in that capacity until 1889, when he began his independent career as a funeral director in Kingston. He admitted his son, Harry P. Carr, to a partnership and they opened an undertaking establishment on North Front street, which was continued until January 27, 1900, when Harry P. Carr disposed of his interest to his brother, Arthur G. Soon afterward fire destroyed the building and on March 6, 1900, the business was removed to Nos. 292-294 Fair street. In 1915, Arthur G. Carr purchased the present property at 1 Pearl street, which was formerly owned by the Hon. Alton B. Parker, from whose front porch David B. Hill launched his campaign for governor of New York.

Albert Carr was a republican and served for six years as coroner. He was a charter member of the Kingston Lodge of Elks and also belonged to Franklin Lodge of the Knights of Pythias; C. S. Clay Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; Kingston Lodge, No. 10, F. & A. M., of the Masonic fraternity; and Pratt Post, No. 127, of the Grand Army of the Republic. A man of exceptional worth, he was esteemed and respected by all who knew him, and in his passing on the 14th of January, 1914, Kingston sustained the loss of one of its best known and most honored citizens.

Mr. Carr was married August 21, 1862, to Sarah E. Folant, a daughter of Peter and Susan (Davis) Folant, of Kingston, and they became the parents of six children, of whom Minnie and Augustus died in infancy. Harry P., born in Kingston, July 27, 1865, attended the local schools until 1880, when he entered the employ of F. J. R. Clarke, a pharmacist of this city,

remaining with him for four years. During 1884 he was with the J. R. Nichols Company, a drug firm of New York city, and on his return to Kingston accepted a position in the drug store of Cooper & Hardenburgh. On the 1st of April, 1889, Mr. Carr joined his father in the undertaking business under the style of A. Carr & Son but severed his connection with the firm in 1900, when he opened a store at 306 Wall street, where he was a dealer in sporting goods for sixteen years. While associated with his father he entered the household storage business, in which he is still engaged, operating under his own name. He reentered the undertaking field April 1, 1923, forming a connection with his brother, Arthur G. Carr, whom he has capably assisted in the development of the business of A. Carr & Son. Since 1892 he has been a Mason, identified with Kingston Lodge, No. 10, F. & A. M. On the 24th of November, 1913, he was married to Miss Louise Main, a native of Port Jervis, New York, and a daughter of John B. and Henrietta (Saunders) Main. Hattie F., born September 14, 1872, became the wife of W. Whiting Fredenburgh, of Kingston, and passed away July 4, 1922. Mr. Fredenburgh is prominent in musical circles of the city, having been organist at the First Dutch Reformed Church for several years. The next of the family is Arthur G. Carr. Mabel, the youngest child, was born May 21, 1883, and is now Mrs. Orren M. Kennedy, of Kingston. She is the mother of two children: Dorothy, who was born April 30, 1904, and since her graduation from high school has been employed as a stenographer; and Ruth, who was born October 7, 1906, completed a course in the New Paltz Normal College and is now engaged in teaching.

After mastering the branches of learning taught in the grammar and high schools of Kingston, Arthur G. Carr obtained work in the store of James O. Merritt, a local dry goods merchant, with whom he spent two years, and then became an employe in the funeral home of A. Carr & Son. Energetic and capable, he progressed through the various departments and in order to perfect himself in mortuary work he took a course in the United States College of Embalming in New York city, where he was

graduated in 1897. This qualified him for more important duties, which he assumed on returning to Kingston, but continued as an employe of A. Carr & Son until January 27, 1900, when he purchased the interest of his brother, Harry P. Carr, in the firm. At his father's death Arthur G. Carr became sole owner of the business and in 1914 filed a certificate with the county clerk. The property which he acquired at 1 Pearl street comprises a lot ninety-five by one hundred and twenty-one feet, improved with a large brick house, two stories in height. The entire building is utilized as a mortuary chapel and is completely equipped for funeral purposes. The service is first class in every particular and the scope and importance of the business testify to the executive capacity and high standards of its owner and directing head, who is identified with banking interests as a trustee of the Ulster County Savings Institution.

On the 17th of April, 1901, Mr. Carr was married to Miss Ida Brower, of Kingston, and they became the parents of three sons. Reynolds B., the eldest, was born March 13, 1903, and attended the grammar and high schools of the city. Since April, 1921, he has been associated with his father in the undertaking business and acquired his knowledge of embalming in the Renouard Training School in New York city, where he was graduated in 1923. He is active in the affairs of the Boy Scouts of America and also belongs to the Kingston Club and the Kingston Lodge of Masons. He was married April 30, 1926, to Margaret Myer, a daughter of William L. and Mary (Shelby) Myer, and they have two children: Arthur G. (II), who was born February 16, 1927; and William R., born October 21, 1929. Frederic S., the second son, was born March 4, 1905, graduated from Kingston high school, received the Bachelor of Arts degree from Tufts College at Somerville, Massachusetts, and is now attending Cornell Medical College, with the class of 1932. Vincent A., born April 17, 1910, was graduated from the Kingston high school in 1930 and is learning the undertaking business by working in his father's establishment. He belongs to De Molay Commandery.

Mr. Carr is a prominent Mason, identified with Kingston

Lodge, No. 10, F. & A. M.; Mount Horeb Chapter, No. 75, R. A. M.; Rondout Commandery, K. T.; and Cyprus Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Albany, New York. He is also connected with the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Young Men's Christian Association, the Boy Scouts of America, the Chamber of Commerce, the Masonic Club, the Mendelssohn Club, and is a charter member of the Rotary Club of Kingston. As indicated, Mr. Carr is a broad-gauged man whose interests and activities are well balanced. Animated by the progressive spirit of the age, he has become recognized as one of the leading morticians of this part of the state, and the rules which govern his life are such as constitute the basis of all honorable and desirable prosperity.

MAUDE M. EASTERLY

Among the women who have been notably successful in the business affairs of Albany, New York, is Maude M. Easterly, who is now the secretary and treasurer of the Morris Plan Company of this city. A native of Albany, she is a daughter of the late James and Mary Jane (McNamara) Easterly.

James Easterly, who was associated for many years with the Consolidated Car Heating Company, was born in New York city. He was descended from the early Dutch settlers of the Hudson River Valley. His wife, who was born in England, traces her ancestry to the early New England settlers some of whom came to America on the Mayflower.

Maude M. Easterly received her education first in the private schools, then attended the Albany high school. Having completed her studies, she began her business career in the employ of The Country Gentleman, one of the most widely known magazines, and here she held a private secretaryship for about ten years. When the Morris Plan Company was organized approximately sixteen years ago, she accepted a position with this concern as a stenographer. She quickly manifested her ability in

this work, and was successively promoted to bookkeeper, teller, assistant treasurer and secretary, and in 1929 was appointed treasurer, which position she now holds in addition to that of secretary. In her conduct of executive duties she has won high commendation, and wide recognition in business circles of the city.

Notwithstanding the expenditure of time and energy which her position demands, Miss Easterly has engaged very actively in club affairs, in church work, in politics, and in worthy charitable movements. She is a member, a director and assistant treasurer of the Zonta Club of Albany, and belongs to the City Club as well. Her religious affiliation is with the First Congregational Church, in which she is among the most active members. She is vice president of the fifth ward republican committee, and for a long time has been interested in ward politics. Charities have also commanded her interest and her sincere efforts in their behalf are notable. Her home at present is at 87 Grand street in Albany. Her old family home in Albany, where she was born, is situated at 47 Myrtle avenue.

ARTHUR BERNARD MERRITT

Arthur Bernard Merritt is one of the substantial business men of Highland, his native town, and also fills the office of postmaster. He was born August 25, 1885, and is a member of one of the oldest families in America. His ancestry has been traced back to Thomas Merritt, who settled in Rye, Westchester county, New York, previous to 1673, and subsequently representatives of the name removed to Ulster county.

Bernard W. Merritt, the grandfather of Arthur B. Merritt, was born February 13, 1819, and spent his early life on the home farm, attending the district schools of Lattingtown and Modena. At the age of sixteen he went to Troy, New York, where he worked as a mason for four years, and after returning home followed his trade for six years. In 1846 he purchased forty-four

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acres, and gradually added to his holdings until he had a tract of seventy-two acres, which he devoted to the growing of grain and fruit. With the passing years he developed one of the productive and desirable farms of Ulster county and continued as an agriculturist until his demise. On December 31, 1845, he married Abigail Jane Hait, a daughter of David M. Hait, and they had six children: David H., Rebecca W., Mary Ida, Lillie H., Eli B. and Austin B.

Eli B. Merritt, the father of Arthur B. Merritt, was born on the home place, two miles south of Highland, and devoted many years to agricultural pursuits, retiring about 1923, when he sold his farm. He married Leonora Deyo, a direct descendant of Christian Deyo, who came to America from the palatinate of Holland in 1673, and to him the original grant of land was made by Charles II, king of England, through Sir Edmund Andros, colonial governor of New York. Mr. and Mrs. Eli B. Merritt have two children, Arthur Bernard and Ina. The daughter, born in Highland, February 12, 1888, is the wife of Ralph E. Lyons, head of the Farmers Trucking Company of Highland. They are the parents of three children: Arthur, who is attending high school; Harold; and Theodore. Mr. Lyons is a past president of the Highland Hose Company and a member of the Masonic fraternity and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

On the completion of his high school course Arthur B. Merritt enrolled as a student in the New Paltz Normal School, which he left at the age of sixteen to accept a situation in the First National Bank of Highland, and remained with the institution for eighteen years, working his way steadily upward. In October, 1920, he became cashier of the First National Bank of Milton, occupying the office for five years, and also served as secretary of the Ulster County Bankers Association, during that period. In 1910, while connected with the bank at Highland, he had taken over the insurance interests of Louis B. Maynard and since 1925 has concentrated his attention upon that business. He is agent for the Mutual Life of New York, as well as for a number of fire insurance companies, and heads a prosperous, rapidly

growing business, which is carefully and systematically managed.

On the 19th of May, 1911, Mr. Merritt was married to Miss Dorothy Garvin, a daughter of Daniel and Elizabeth Garvin, of Schenectady, New York, both now deceased. For many years Mr. Garvin was with the Delaware & Hudson Railroad, filling the responsible position of superintendent of roadbed construction. Mr. and Mrs. Merritt have three children: Barbara E., who is taking a secretarial course at the Lasell Seminary of Auburndale, Massachusetts; Roger B., a high school student; and Donald B., who is attending grammar school.

Mr. Merritt is a Mason, identified with Adonai Lodge, No. 718, F. & A. M., at Highland. Reared in the Methodist faith, he has been a steward in the local church of that denomination for several years, occupying an office which had previously been filled by his father and grandfather. In politics he is a stalwart republican and has frequently been a delegate to county conventions of the party. Following the death of Warren G. Hasbrouck in 1928, Mr. Merritt was made acting postmaster of Highland, and in September, 1929, was appointed postmaster for a term of four years. Thoroughly experienced, he is exceptionally well qualified for the office and maintains a high standard of service. He has ever been a strong champion of educational advancement and served on the school board of district No. 3 in the township of Lloyd, also becoming a school director of the same township. Since its organization he has been secretary of the Highland Chamber of Commerce and his influence is at all times on the side of those movements which make for civic growth and betterment.

WILLIAM S. ELWYN

William S. Elwyn, postmaster of Woodstock, his native town, bases his excellent work upon a detailed knowledge of this branch of governmental service, resulting from thirty years of practical experience in the postal department. He was born July 26, 1875, a son of George W. Elwyn, who was born in Woodstock,

August 15, 1852. The great-great-grandfather, who was the American progenitor of the Elwyn family, was a native of England and came to this country about 1780, when a young man. The land which he acquired now comprises part of Van Cortland Park in New York city. For about ten years he resided upon that property and then removed to Ulster county, settling in Saugerties, where he engaged in the hotel business, while he was also identified with navigation interests. He married a Miss Miner and their son, John M. Elwyn, the great-grandfather of William S. Elwyn, was born in Saugerties, April 10, 1798. In Woodstock, Ulster county, he was married to Miss Maria Bonestell and eight children were born to them. Their son, Larry G. Elwyn, was a lifelong resident of Woodstock and followed the occupation of farming. He voted with the republican party and was active in local politics. He filled the office of township collector for sixteen years and was overseer of the poor for a considerable period. On the 14th of August, 1851, he was united in marriage to Miss Jemima Johnson, also a native of Woodstock. Her brother, Eugene C. Johnson, joined the Union forces as a private and his gallantry in action won for him promotion to the rank of captain when the officer at the head of his company met death in one of the notable battles of the Civil war. Later he was captured and endured many hardships while confined in Andersonville and Libby prisons. When his term of military service was ended he established his home in Albany, New York, becoming manager of the Directory Hotel, of which he had charge for twenty years, and remained a resident of that city until his death in 1930.

George W. Elwyn, the only child of Larry G. and Jemima (Johnson) Elwyn, was a farmer and occupied the home farm until his death. He also conducted a meat market for a number of years. On the 15th of September, 1871, he married Miss Frances Ingram, of Woodstock, and they became parents of the following children. Grace, the eldest, was born August 22, 1872, and became the wife of Shultis R. Vosburgh. Their daughter, Dorothy, born December 15, 1894, is the wife of William Brewer,

a salesman, and they reside in Brooklyn, New York. An interesting and unusual fact is that Mrs. Brewer, at the time of her birth had eleven living grandparents. The son Albert married and had one child, Albert, Jr. William S. was the next in order of birth. Sheldon B., born January 21, 1878, served in the Spanish-American war and was sent to China during the Boxer uprising, remaining in the Orient until discharged. Later he went to the Philippine Islands and while in the employ of the government was drowned there. Arthur R., born November 7, 1881, is also deceased. He married Miss Fannie Longendyke, of Woodstock, and their daughter, Catherine Elwyn, is the wife of Leon P. Carey, of Woodstock, a dealer in newspapers and magazines.

A public school education was accorded William S. Elwyn, who started in life as a clerk in a general store in Woodstock, and later acquired an interest in the business, which he conducted in partnership with A. D. Rose for a number of years. In 1901 he became an employe of the government, entering the post office in New York city, where he remained until 1922, when he was appointed postmaster at Woodstock. He served for two terms of four years each and in January, 1931, entered upon his third term. With exceptional qualifications for the office, he maintains a high standard of efficiency in the local postal service and the worth of his work is uniformly acknowledged. Formerly he was a director of the corporation controlling the Woodstock Valley Hotel, which was destroyed by fire in the fall of 1930.

Mr. Elwyn was married in Woodstock, July 17, 1896, to Miss Bertha F. Coveny, a native of New York city and a daughter of William and Wealthy A. (Boice) Coveny. Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn have three children, of whom Ruth Frances, the oldest, was born November 21, 1897. She has membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution. On the 7th of July, 1928, she became the wife of Lewis R. Wilson, who conducts the Woodstock Garage in partnership with his brother. Grant Boice, born September 4, 1900, attended the public and high schools of Staten Island

and when a youth of seventeen enlisted for service in the World war. He was assigned to Troop F of the United States Cavalry, was stationed on Staten Island and other locations in New York state and remained in the service for two years. When mustered out he returned to Woodstock and is now a commercial artist. He married Miss Helen Floyd, of Asheville, North Carolina. William S., Jr., born August 20, 1921, is a grammar school pupil.

Mr. Elwyn's parents were devout Methodists and he adhered to that faith for many years but he and his family now attend the Christian Science Church. He is a director of the Woodstock Country Club and enjoys the social side of life. His political allegiance is given to the republican party and his support can always be counted upon in the promotion of projects for the benefit of his community. He has been loyal to every cause which he has espoused and faithful to every duty and stands deservedly high in the esteem of his fellowmen.

NATHAN D. WILLIAMS

Nathan D. Williams, supervisor of Lloyd township, was born in Highland, Ulster county, January 5, 1888, and represents one of the pioneer families of this district. His ancestors were originally from Wales and came to this country during the formative period in its history. Ichabod Williams, the first of the name to settle in the Hudson River Valley, was born in Monmouth county, New Jersey, about 1747 and in his youth came to Ulster county, New York, locating in the town of Plattekill, now called Modena. During the Revolutionary war he served as a minute-man and assisted in the construction of the chevaux de frise at West Point, built to prevent the British fleet from coming up the Hudson. He died at Milton, New York, in 1840, at the advanced age of ninety years, and had long survived his wife, Sybil (Clark) Williams, whose demise occurred in 1820. Their son, Nathan Williams, was born in Plattekill, May 22, 1787, and in young manhood married Lucy Thompson, who

passed away in 1848. She was one of eight children in the family of John Thompson, a farmer, who died September 26, 1827.

Nathan Williams, Jr., the grandfather of Nathan D. Williams, was born December 8, 1822, on the homestead in town of Lloyd, then known as New Paltz. Losing his father when a lad of five, he went to live with an uncle at Milton and there attended school in winter, while during the summer he worked on the farm. At the age of sixteen he started out in life for himself and in 1844 became a teacher, following that profession for seven years. In 1851 he opened a store in Libertyville, New York, where he spent two years, after which he engaged in business at New Paltz Landing, now Highland, until 1865. Elected county clerk in the fall of 1864, he removed to Kingston, New York, where he took office January 1, 1865, and when his term of public service was completed he established a hardware store in that city, where he conducted business for three years. He prospered as a merchant and was also a director of the Poughkeepsie National Bank. Retiring from business in 1872, he purchased a tract of land one mile from Highland and thus became the owner of one of the best farms in Ulster county. He lived for five years in Coldwater, Michigan, with his mother, who had established her home in that town after the father's death, and during the period of his residence there he was a frequent contributor to the Coldwater Republican. He also wrote a series of articles describing his experiences as a teacher and these were featured by the New Paltz Times. For four years he served as superintendent of schools and in 1860 was elected supervisor of Lloyd township. A stalwart democrat, he was a delegate to county and state conventions of the party and in religious work he was also active, serving for years as an elder in the Presbyterian Church. In September, 1854, he married Sarah C. Requa, who died in 1855, leaving a son, James Watson. Mr. Williams' second wife was Harriet N. Carpenter, to whom he was married in Poughkeepsie, New York, and they had two children: Arthur Winthrop, who became the father of Nathan D. Williams; and Roscoe E. Williams, who lives in St. Petersburg, Florida.

Arthur Winthrop Williams was born April 9, 1858, and aided in cultivating the home farm, of which he became manager. For a number of years he was postmaster of Highland and served on the board of supervisors during 1904 and 1905. Fraternally he was identified with the Knights of Pythias. He married Anna Deyo, a native of the town of Lloyd and a daughter of Joseph P. Deyo. They were the parents of three children: Nathan D.; Marian, who was married to Wilbur J. Haviland in November, 1909; and Bertha, who attended Vassar College after her graduation from the Poughkeepsie high school. On the 10th of April, 1907, she became the wife of Edward Quimby, who was a supervisor for the town of Marlboro in 1920 and 1921. Their children are Margaret D., Edith and John C. Quimby.

Nathan D. Williams was a pupil in the high school of Poughkeepsie and assisted his father in tilling the soil. At an early age he became familiar with the duties and labors that fall to the lot of the agriculturist and at length took charge of the home farm, to which he has added many improvements. In developing the place he has utilized the most effective methods and is a progressive farmer who knows the value of system and science.

On the 3d of August, 1910, Mr. Williams was married to Miss Ethel Abrams, a native of Highland and a daughter of Townsend and Jennie C. Abrams, the former now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Williams have a family of three children: Marion, who was born in Highland, July 14, 1912, and attends the New Paltz Normal School; Arthur T., who was born July 4, 1913, and is attending Cornell University; and Lois, who was born March 2, 1917.

The family attend the Presbyterian Church and for a number of years Mr. Williams has been one of its trustees, serving for a time as president of the board. He is county welfare officer and supervisor for Lloyd township, performing his public duties efficiently and faithfully and meeting every requirement of the offices which he occupies. He belongs to Highland Grange, No. 888, and has fraternal connections with Brainard Howell Council of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics at High-

land; Sunshine Lodge, No. 925, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and Adonai Lodge, No. 718, F. & A. M., of the Masonic craft. He has a wide acquaintance in Ulster county, in which his life has been spent, and, like his forbears, he is endowed with those qualities which win for a man the respect and confidence of his fellows.

GEORGE A. PLANT

As executive secretary George A. Plant is doing notable work in behalf of the New York State League of Savings & Loan Associations and before entering upon the duties of this office he had won state-wide prominence in the field of banking. He was born in Williston, Chittenden county, Vermont, July 9, 1880, and is a son of Isadore Henry and Mary Jane (Ammell) Plant, the latter also a native of the Green Mountain state. The father was born in Keeseville, Essex county, New York, and made farming his life work. He passed away in 1917 and the mother is now living in Burlington, Vermont.

George A. Plant obtained his high school education in his native state and in preparation for a commercial career he attended the Albany Business College. Following his graduation in 1901 he became an accountant for W. M. Whitney & Company of Albany, remaining with them for about three years, and in 1906 was appointed a state bank examiner. He continued with that department for twenty years, serving throughout the panic of 1907, when the largest banks in the country were failing. For fourteen years he was first assistant to George Skinner, who was then first department superintendent and later became superintendent of banking for three years, and during that time had charge of organization procedure of various classes of banking institutions organized under the state banking law, devoting much of his attention to the Savings & Loan Associations. From 1924 until 1926, the last two years of his service, he was in charge of the examinations of all banking institutions in the

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counties from Dutchess county north, including Franklin and St. Lawrence counties. During that period, and even to the present time, there has not been a single failure of any banking institution in his territory, and it is generally recognized that Mr. Plant made a permanent contribution to the stability of financial institutions throughout New York. In his present work, which is a state-wide organization of Savings & Loan Associations, he has increased the membership from one hundred and forty on September 1, 1926, to two hundred and thirteen at this writing (1931), and there is no doubt that his banking experience has constituted a most potent element in stabilizing these institutions. Their resources have grown from three hundred million to more than four hundred and forty million dollars. As a result of his activities as legislative agent of the league many important contributions have been made to the banking law of the state relating particularly to Savings & Loan Associations. Mr. Plant is the author of *The Law and its Application to Savings & Loan Associations*, issued in 1930 by the Savings & Loan Publishers of Albany, and he is a constant contributor to various publications, which have featured his articles on Savings & Loan Associations. He has frequently addressed members of these associations and organizations composed of bankers and speaks and writes with authority on matters relative to Savings & Loan Associations.

On the 7th of April, 1928, Mr. Plant was married in Albany to Miss Blanche M. Borthwick, a daughter of James M. Borthwick, who was a lifelong resident of the city, widely known as proprietor of the Borthwick House and through his service as county clerk. He was called to his final rest in 1907 and for many years was survived by his widow, Mrs. Charity (Sisson) Borthwick, who was a native of Albany county and passed away in 1927. By a previous marriage Mr. Plant has two sons. The elder, Ralph Bradley, a young man of twenty-seven years, married Miss Ruth Townsend and they reside in Albany, where he is engaged in the radio and battery business as junior member of the firm of Lilly & Plant. George Ammell, the younger son,

now twenty-one years of age, is associated with his father and resides in the family home at 111 Melrose avenue, Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. Plant are members of Trinity Methodist Episcopal Church and the latter is president of its Ladies Aid Society, a director of the City Club, chairman of the educational committee of the Women's Club and a member of the Mothers Club. Mr. Plant is a Rotarian and also belongs to the Albany and Fort Orange Clubs. His Masonic affiliations include membership in Wadsworth Lodge, No. 417, F. & A. M., the various York Rite bodies and in Cyprus Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He is likewise identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. During the World war period he was one of the Four-Minute speakers and thus furthered the sale of Liberty bonds. His aid and influence are always on the side of public projects of worth and for sixteen years he has been a trustee of the Memorial Hospital of Albany, serving as treasurer of the institution for ten years of that period. The history of his career is a record of continuous progress and important achievements and today he is widely recognized as an outstanding expert on banking laws, procedure, organization and supervision.

HEWITT BOICE

High on the list of Kingston's honored dead is written the name of Hewitt Boice, who was widely known as the "Blue Stone King." Well defined plans and purposes carried him steadily forward until many large business concerns felt the stimulus of his cooperation and benefited by his keen sagacity and his administrative powers. Regular in habit and quick and decisive in action, he was able to perform duties as varied in character as they were successful in result.

Born in Boiceville, Olive township, Ulster county, September 10, 1846, Mr. Boice was a son of William V. N. and Jane D. (Davis) Boice and a grandson of Peter Boice, the first member

of the family of whom there is any definite information. The family originated in The Netherlands and the Dutch form of the name was Buys. William V. N. Boice was a farmer, lumberman and tanner. He also engaged in general merchandising in Sampsonville, Ulster county, conducting the store in partnership with his son, Hewitt Boice.

The latter was accorded a public school education and entered business life in association with his father and brother, Peter Boice, as a member of the firm of William V. N. Boice & Sons, who conducted a tannery and a blue stone business at Sampsonville until 1875. Hewitt Boice then became an independent operator in the blue stone industry, conducting business at Broadhead's Bridge for two years. In 1877 he removed to Kingston, purchasing a piece of property with a frontage of three hundred feet on East Strand at Rondout, where he established the nucleus for a blue stone business, which under his guidance attained large proportions. Gradually his sales increased until at length they averaged four hundred and sixty thousand dollars annually. He acquired the stone yard at Higginsville formerly owned by the late George Crawford and also purchased a number of quarries situated along the line of the Ulster & Delaware Railroad. Mr. Boice personally supervised every detail of the business and constantly expanded its scope until he eventually became one of the most extensive dealers in blue stone in this country. In 1901 he sold his entire plant to the late Samuel D. Coykendall, of Kingston, but retained his connections with other important business interests. For many years he was president of the Kingston Iron and Ore Company and he also controlled the destiny of the Lake Superior Copper & Zinc Company. He represented the L. B. Van Wagener Company as vice president and a director and served on the directorate of the Elmhurst Southern Realty Company. In addition he was a director of the United States Gypsum Company of Chicago, Illinois, for ten years and a member of the board of the First National Bank of Rondout for twenty years. He was capable of long application and concentration and after hours of strenuous work had ample

reserve of strength for those critical emergencies which make the greatest demand upon the powers of apprehension and judgment. He early had the prescience to discern something of what the future had in store for this section of the country and, acting according to the dictates of his faith and judgment, he reaped in the fulness of time the rich harvest of his labors and also the aftermath.

In 1886 Mr. Boice was married to Miss Caroline St. Clair, who died in 1889, leaving a daughter, Virginia St. Clair Boice, who became the wife of the Rev. Frank B. Seely, D. D., pastor of the Fair Street Dutch Reformed Church of Kingston. On the 2d of January, 1901, Mr. Boice married Miss Kathryn Du Bois Deyo, a native of Kingston and a daughter of S. Du Bois and Anna (Brown) Deyo. Mrs. Boice on April 21, 1930, was married to Senator Wilson Dean Hays, a sketch of whom will be found on other pages in this publication.

Mr. Boice was a man of striking personality and possessed qualities which made him prominent socially. He was a charter member of the Kingston Club, the Ulster County Automobile Club and the Republican Club. From early manhood he was an influential factor in the local councils of his party but never sought political office. For twenty years he was an elder in the Fair Street Dutch Reformed Church and for a considerable period he was a trustee of the Young Men's Christian Association. He was also an active member of the Red Cross Society, the Kingston Chamber of Commerce and the Kingston City Library Association. Fraternally he was a Mason, identified with Kingston Lodge, No. 10, F. & A. M., and Rondout Commandery, No. 52, K. T. His life was guided by high conceptions of personal honor, which he exemplified in the active world of business, and in his passing on the 20th of June, 1917, at the age of seventy years, Kingston lost one of her foremost citizens. He had a strong sense of civic duty and it was his pride and joy to aid in all that made for a finer and better community. At all times he was actuated by a progressive spirit, not only in the conduct of his private business affairs, but in his relation to

public interests, and his efforts were far-reaching, effective and beneficial. Throughout his career Mr. Boice manifested those traits of character which win for a man the respect and admiration of his fellows and it will be many years ere his memory ceases to be a kindly and inspiring influence in the lives of those who knew him.

FREDERICK MELVIN DRESSEL

One of the well known and successful business men of Kingston is Frederick Melvin Dressel, a sanitary and heating engineer, likewise founder and owner of a prosperous and growing plumbing and heating business—a line of work that he has followed throughout his business career. He is also well known through his public service. He was born April 6, 1886, in Kingston, a son of John N. and Mary (Scharoche) Dressel and a member of a family that has been represented in Ulster county since colonial days. His father, a successful carpenter and contractor, was engaged in business at Kingston for many years.

Frederick M. Dressel attended the public schools of Kingston and the Spencer Business College. Later he took a course in sanitary plumbing and heating and for twenty-seven years he has continued in this field of activity, acquiring the knowledge and skill that result from close study and concentrated effort. Since 1922 he has engaged in business for himself at 73 Albany avenue, where he has a modern establishment with a large showroom for the advantageous display of a complete line of the latest plumbing and heating supplies. A recognized expert in his profession, Mr. Dressel was appointed plumbing inspector for Kingston and occupied the position for seven years.

In 1910 Mr. Dressel was married in this city to Miss Charlotte Palen and they have one child, Frederick Melvin, Jr., born July 2, 1925. The early ancestors of Mrs. Dressel came to this country in the historic Mayflower period, the genealogy of the Palens in America being traced back to 1632. Of patriotic spirit,

representatives of the name served in the Revolutionary war, enlisting from Ulster county, where members of the family located about 1663. Rufus Palen, the father of Mrs. Dressel, was born in Samsonville, Ulster county, and learned the trade of cooper, which he followed for a time, and then engaged in quarrying, continuing in that business until his retirement. For several years he has made his home in New York city and is now in the seventy-ninth year of his age. He married Emma J. Krumm, who has passed away. Her father was a soldier in the Civil war and died soon after its close of an illness contracted in the service. Of the six children born to Mr. and Mrs. Palen, two survive: Edmund L., of New York city; and Mrs. Dressel.

Mr. Dressel is active in the work of the Methodist Episcopal Church of Kingston and has a life membership in the Laymen's Association of the New York Methodist Episcopal Conference. In Masonry he has connection with Kingston Lodge, No. 10, F. & A. M.; Mount Horeb Chapter, R. A. M.; Rondout Commandery, K. T.; and Cyprus Temple of the Mystic Shrine in Albany, New York. He is also identified with the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, the Knights of Pythias, the Kingston Club and the Kingston Republican Club. He has been active in local politics and in 1927 was the popular choice for supervisor of the first ward, making a record which won him reelection in 1929 for another term of two years. Men esteem him for his force of character and the substantial qualities he has displayed in business life and in citizenship connections.

MONSIGNOR J. F. SHEAHAN

The Very Rev. Msgr. J. F. Sheahan has ministered to St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church for a quarter of a century, becoming a potent force for moral progress in this city. He was born in Lowell, Massachusetts, July 22, 1861.

Msgr. Sheahan early decided to devote his life to the spread of the Catholic religion, and having completed his theological

studies, he was ordained at St. Joseph's Cathedral at Troy, New York, in 1866. He was first assigned to the Church of the Nativity in New York city and three years later took charge of St. Agnes Church in that city, thus continuing for three and a half years. He was next called to Pocantico Hills, New York, where he spent twelve years, and during that period secured a new church for his parishioners. On the 25th of March, 1906, he came to Poughkeepsie as pastor of St. Peter's Church, which under his wise guidance has grown steadily in spiritual and in temporal power. His work here has endeared him to all classes. Aside from his priestly duties, which have always been arduous, he has participated in all movements and projects for the progress and betterment of the city, and his acquaintance extends to thousands not of his faith.

MARGARET BAKER WALSH

That Margaret Baker Walsh has entered upon a line of work well suited to her talents is indicated in the enviable place which she has won in legal circles of Albany, although but twenty-five years of age. Born in Cohoes, New York, December 2, 1905, she is a daughter of Edward L. and Amelia (Simmons) Walsh. The father, who is now deceased, was born in Troy, New York, of Irish ancestry, and was employed in the state department for many years. The mother is a native of Cohoes and a member of one of the oldest families in America, tracing her lineage to John Alden and to others who came to this country as passengers on the historic Mayflower.

After attending the grammar and high schools of Cohoes, Miss Walsh enrolled as a student in the Albany Law School, from which she was graduated in 1926, when but twenty years of age. Being too young to practice, she had to wait for a short period and was admitted to the bar in 1928. Her start in the legal profession was made with the firm of Bender & Ford and soon afterward she began her independent career as an attorney.

Her office is now located on the fourth floor of a building at 82 State street, Albany, where she has practiced successfully for two years, specializing in criminal law, on which she is thoroughly informed. To the preparation of her cases she gives much time and thought and her arguments are logical, forceful and always to the point.

Miss Walsh resides with her mother in Cohoes. In politics she is a democrat and her social nature finds expression in her membership in the Van Schaick Country Club. Engrossed in her work, she reserves her best energies for conduct of her legal interests, which are steadily growing in volume and in importance. Nature has endowed Miss Walsh with a brilliant mind, an attractive personality and an energetic disposition and with these assets she is destined to go far in a most exacting profession.

GEORGE BURGEVIN

George Burgevin, president of Valentin Burgevin, Inc., wholesale and retail florists of Kingston, heads a pioneer institution which has been in existence for nearly eight decades and is one of the oldest and largest concerns of the kind in this part of the country. He was born January 16, 1862, in the city where he still resides, and is a son of Valentin Burgevin, who was a native of Mainz, capital of the Rhine province of Hesse, Germany, born January 1, 1819. In that country the father remained until 1848, when he sailed for America, locating in Kingston, New York, where he engaged in the cultivation of fruits and vegetables, introducing home grown strawberries, lettuce and cauliflower. In 1852 he began in a small way the growing of flowers, for which there was then very little demand. However, he succeeded in creating a market for his products and as the demand increased he enlarged his facilities. It was in 1852 that he founded the enterprise now carried forward by his sons by renting two acres of land, which he purchased in 1853, and two years later increased the tract by the purchase of two and one-half

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acres additional. His first greenhouse, built in 1854, was ten by eighteen feet and in 1855 this was demolished during a severe wind storm. Undismayed by this misfortune, he immediately took steps to rebuild on a larger scale, his second greenhouse being eighteen by one hundred feet. As the demand for plants and flowers increased he added to his plant until in 1896 he had fifteen greenhouses, aggregating about fifteen thousand square feet of glass. He made a specialty of roses, chrysanthemums, and bedding plants, producing many fine varieties. Through study, experimental work and years of practical experience he became recognized as one of the foremost exponents of the science of floriculture in the east and at the various exhibitions held by the Ulster County Horticultural Society in Music Hall, Kingston, he won many prizes, among them several silver cups. He was also awarded a certificate of merit by the Dutchess County Horticultural Society. During the last three years of his life he lived retired, leaving to his sons the task of carrying forward his work, and passed away January 21, 1899. In young manhood he had married Miss Anna Wurtzburger, who survived him until December, 1918, her son David residing with her until her death. The latter, who is the younger son, was born in Kingston, December 13, 1865.

The sons, George and David Burgevin, attended the common schools, acquiring a limited education, as they started to work for their father at an early age, and in his establishment they were thoroughly trained. As they gained in knowledge and experience they gradually assumed greater responsibilities and since the father's retirement in 1896 they have successfully conducted the business. On July 1st, 1903, they purchased the property at the corner of Fair and Main streets, razed the building, erecting on the site the Burgevin building, a substantial brick structure three stories in height, and occupy the entire ground floor, which is utilized as a flower shop. In 1915 they adopted the present style of Valentin Burgevin, Inc., since which time George Burgevin has served as president. From time to time they increased their holdings, acquiring the farm in 1923 and

incorporating it with their business. They now own and cultivate about two hundred acres of land, of which approximately one hundred and fifty acres constitute a stock farm, on which they have a valuable herd of fifty registered Guernsey cattle. They have gradually added to their greenhouses, which now number thirty-six. In addition they have several hundred hotbeds and cold frames, comprising approximately one hundred and fifty thousand square feet of glass and covering about ten acres of land. Like their father, they carry on experimental work and some years ago developed the "Kingston Pet" carnation, which became a very popular variety of that flower. The founder's motto of "Quality and service at moderate prices" has been strictly adhered to for seventy-nine years and the progress of the house has been continuous. Rich with the wisdom of the years, the owners of the business cling fast to that which is wholesome and worthy while pressing onward to better ways and higher standards, and they now enjoy the distinction of being the largest growers of cut flowers and bedding plants in variety in the Hudson River Valley. In addition to his extensive operations as a florist George Burgevin has become recognized as a shrewd financier and wisely and capably administers the affairs of the Kingston Savings Bank, of which he is the president.

On the 24th of September, 1901, Mr. Burgevin was married in New York city to Miss Mabel B. Hanor, a daughter of Henry M. and Emily Araminta (Wilcox) Hanor, of Columbia county, New York. In former years Mr. Hanor conducted a hotel at Hudson, New York, and at one time he served as sheriff of Columbia county. Mr. and Mrs. Burgevin became the parents of ten children, all of whom were natives of Kingston, and two are deceased, George V. dying at the age of nine years and Martin V. at the age of fourteen. The others are: Frederick, who was born November 8, 1903, and received the M. D. degree from Columbia University; A. Eltinge, who was born May 21, 1905, and since his graduation from high school has been with Valentin Burgevin, Inc.; Richard W., who was born October 1, 1906, completed a course in Harvard University and is now connected with

the Albany branch of the Guaranty Trust Company of New York city; Julia D., who was born March 25, 1908, and is a high school graduate; John, who was born March 3, 1911, and also completed a course in the Kingston high school; Frances S., born December 4, 1912; Edwin H., born March 16, 1914; and Beatrice, born June 15, 1916.

Fraternally Mr. Burgevin is identified with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a trustee of the Wiltwyck Cemetery Association and a member of the board of managers of the Home for the Aged, the Industrial Home and Kingston Hospital. Although his important business and financial interests make heavy demands upon his attention and energy, he has found time for civic service and welfare work and is esteemed for his breadth of mind, his public spirit and generous nature as well as for his business ability and enterprise.

David Burgevin was married October 9, 1922, to Grace Riley Davis. He is a trustee of the Ulster County Savings Institution, a Rotarian, and also belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Like his brother, he has many admirable traits of character and both have attained high standing as business men and citizens.

HENRY A. LAMOUREE

Since 1926 Henry A. Lamouree has been active in public affairs, first filling the office of assessor, and is now representing Saugerties on the board of county supervisors. He was born in Palenville, Greene county, New York, July 5, 1898, and is a son of Luman Lamouree, whose father there erected a woolen mill, which he owned and operated for several years. Luman Lamouree was born in Greene county in 1855 and spent the greater part of his life within its borders, operating a quarry, while during the tourist season he also conducted a boarding house. In 1909 he removed from Greene county to Ulster county, settling at Blue Mountain, in the township of Saugerties, where he pur-

chased a tract of seventy acres. On this farm he grew fine vegetables and berries, which he sold to boarding houses and to tourists, and made his home on the place until his death in 1927. His wife, Anna (Haley) Lamouree, was born near Liberty, in Sullivan county, New York, in 1854 and they became the parents of six children. John, the eldest, obtained his public school education in Palenville and continued his studies in Columbia University, graduating from its pharmaceutical department. Subsequently he engaged in the drug business at Tuxedo and Suffern, New York, with his brother, Alexander Lamouree, and Frank E. Paret under the style of Paret & Lamouree, Inc. Fraternally he is a Mason, identified with Lorillard Lodge, F. & A. M., of Tuxedo. He married Miss Mary McCrerry, of Perth Amboy, New Jersey, and they have three children: Anna, a student at Cornell University; and Roger and Clementine, who are attending the public schools. Adelaide was graduated from the State Normal College at New Paltz and is now a teacher in the public schools of New York city. She was married to Owen Tuttle, a teacher of vocal music, who maintained a studio in the eastern metropolis until his death in 1925. Alexander, a graduate of the Catskill high school and the Columbia College of Pharmacy, was attached to Base Hospital, No. 15, during the World war and served on various fronts. He is also a member of the Lorillard Lodge of Masons. He married Miss Catherine Fitzpatrick, of Tuxedo, and they have one child, Renee, who is attending school. Emma is the wife of James H. Reilly, an attorney, who is a clerk in the surrogate's office at Catskill, and they are the parents of three children, Eileen, Cecillia and Marie. Adelbert acquired a public school education and then joined the New York National Guard. During the World war period he was in training at Spartanburg, South Carolina, and in 1917 went to France with the One Hundred and Fifth Infantry, a part of the Twenty-seventh Division. On the 18th of October, 1918, while serving in the San Quentin sector, he made the supreme sacrifice for his country, and Lamouree Post, No. 96, of the American Legion at Saugerties, was named in his honor.

Henry A. Lamouree, who completes the family, attended the grammar and high schools of Saugerties and afterward had charge of the home farm for a time. In 1917 he enlisted in the United States Navy for service in the World war and was assigned to the aviation department. After eight months of hard training at the Great Lakes camp at Great Lakes, Illinois, he was sent to the Rockaway Point air station on Long island and detailed for duty with Dirigible C-10. There he remained for eighteen months, receiving an honorable discharge at the end of that time. With his return home he again took over the management of the farm, after which he taught for two years in rural schools of West Saugerties and Manorville, Ulster county. In 1926 he was called to the office of assessor, serving until 1929. In the fall of 1929 he was elected supervisor for Saugerties for a term of two years and took office January 1, 1930. As a public servant he has labored untiringly in behalf of his town, conscientiously and efficiently performing his duties, and his work has been strongly commended.

On the 19th of September, 1924, Mr. Lamouree was married to Miss Lillian M. Myer, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Myer, who reside on a farm in the town of Saugerties. Mr. and Mrs. Lamouree are faithful members of the Dutch Reformed Church of Blue Mountain and he is president of the Saugerties Sunday School Association. For two years he served as president of the Ulster County Christian Endeavor Union and is also a past president of the Saugerties Christian Endeavor Union, of which his wife is now secretary and treasurer. He is a member of the Saugerties Club and in Masonry he has connection with Ulster Lodge, No. 93, F. & A. M., and Catskill Chapter, No. 285, R. A. M. In the affairs of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows he has taken a prominent part, serving as deputy grand master for the Ulster district during 1926, and is a member of Catskill Mountain Lodge, No. 487, I. O. O. F., and Thomas Wiley Encampment, No. 57, of Saugerties, while his wife belongs to Queen of Rebekah Lodge, No. 36, at Saugerties. He is likewise identified with Esopus Tribe, No. 482, Improved Order of Red Men, and

Junior Order of United American Mechanics at Saugerties. Mr. Lamouree is loyal to the teachings and purposes of these fraternal organizations and faithful to every cause which he espouses and to every trust reposed in him, whether of a private or public nature. Genial and companionable by nature, he enjoys the social side of life, and a wide circle of steadfast friends is indicative of his personal popularity.

J. DAVID SCHENCK

J. David Schenck, president of the Van Motor Company, Inc., has been prominently associated with automotive interests of Kingston for more than twenty years and is also active in civic affairs as commissioner of the board of public works. He was born in Stapleton on Staten Island, May 21, 1886, and is a son of John Henry Schenck, whose forbears were early settlers in Putnam county, New York. The father is the proprietor of a meat market and resides in Patterson, New York. The mother, Mary (Maroney) Schenck, was born in Verbank, Dutchess county, New York, where her father located on emigrating from Ireland to the United States. Mr. and Mrs. Schenck have three sons and a daughter: Harry, a conductor in the employ of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company; J. David; Lewis, at home; and Adelaide, the wife of Joseph De Loge, of Hartford, Connecticut.

J. David Schenck was accorded a high school education, completing his studies at Poughkeepsie, New York, and his initial experience along commercial lines was gained in his father's meat market, where he worked for seven years. His first step in the automobile business was made at an early stage in the development of the industry, when he entered the employ of John Van Benschoten, the owner of a garage in Kingston. Mr. Schenck was placed in charge of this establishment in 1910 and has since been a resident of the city. Capable, industrious and trustworthy, he steadily advanced, at length taking over the

business, and in 1920 adopted the present form of the Van Motor Company, Inc., of which he is the president and treasurer. He is advantageously located at 529 Broadway, where he has ample space for the display of the automobiles which he handles. Mr. Schenck is the sole distributor of the Studebaker cars in Ulster county and knows their merits, having sold this line for sixteen years, and is at the head of a prosperous, growing business, which is systematically and efficiently managed. A forceful and resourceful executive, he is also successfully administering the affairs of the Kingston Oil Company, of which he is president. He owns the property at 529 Broadway, occupying a building which has a frontage of one hundred and sixty feet and is one hundred and fifty feet deep.

On the 10th of November, 1910, Mr. Schenck was married to Miss Helen Watts, a native of Pawling, New York, and they are the parents of a daughter, Mary, who was born May 2, 1913, and is attending high school. In religious faith Mr. Schenck is a Catholic and fraternally he is identified with the Knights of Columbus. He is one of the enterprising members of the Chamber of Commerce and the prestige which he enjoys as a business man is indicated in the fact that he has been selected as treasurer of the Automotive Dealers Association of Kingston, which office he is now filling. His interests are closely allied with those of the city and as a commissioner of the board of public works he is actuated by high ideals of service. Through his own exertions he has progressed far on the highroad which leads to success and is esteemed for his ability, his integrity and civic spirit.

C. EMORY LOCHNER

C. Emory Lochner, one of the younger representatives of the legal profession in Albany, was born in this city August 11, 1904, a son of Jacob L. and Grace (Terrell) Lochner, who have long resided here. The father devotes his attention to financial affairs and is well known as assistant treasurer of the Home Sav-

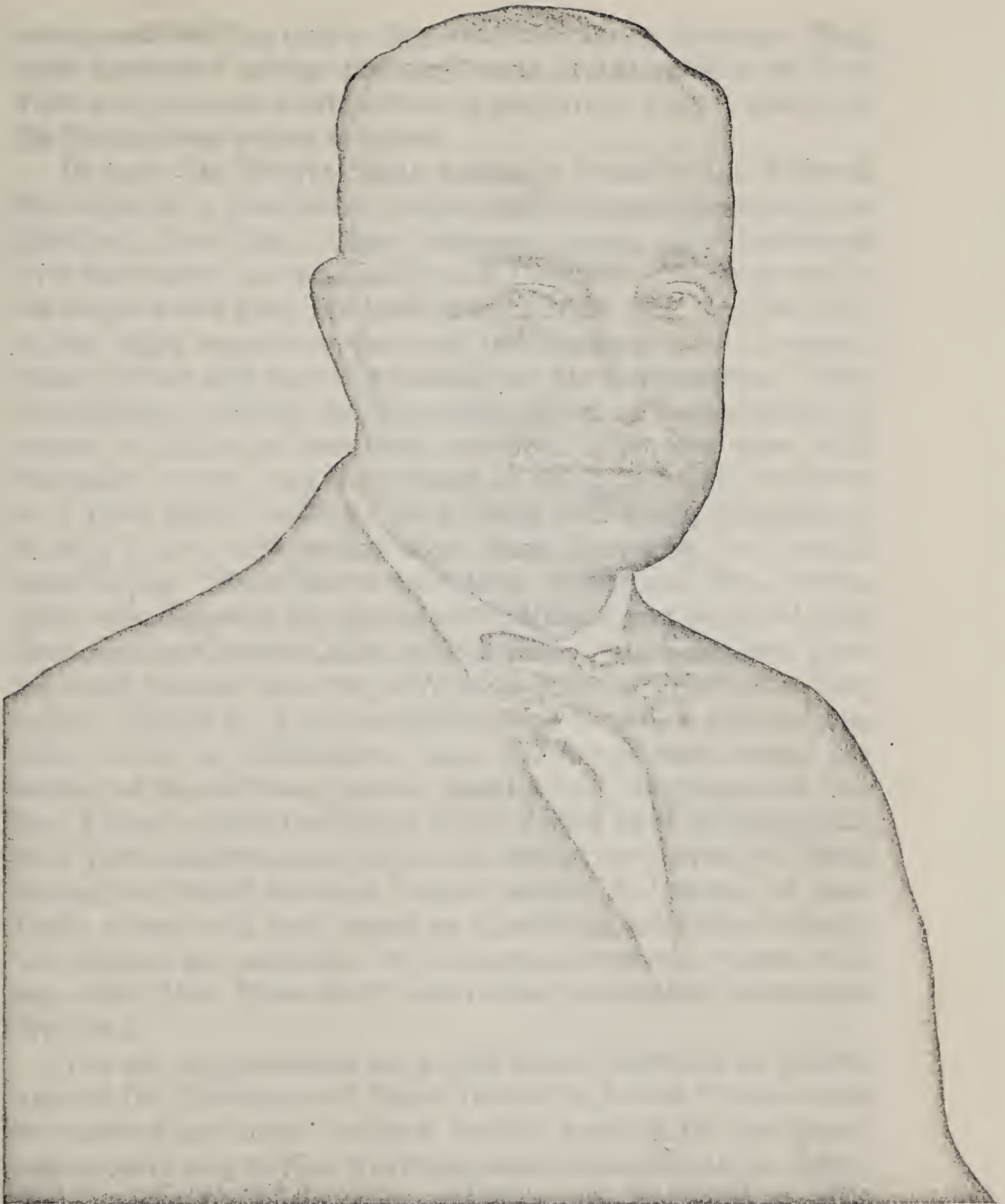
ings Bank of Albany. Colonel Terrell, a great-uncle of C. Emory Lochner, won his title by gallant service in the Union Army during the Civil war.

In the acquirement of an education Mr. Lochner attended the public schools and the Albany Academy, afterward taking a classical course in Williams College, a Massachusetts institution which conferred upon him the Bachelor of Arts degree in June, 1925. In the fall of that year he enrolled in the Union Law School of Albany and there pursued his studies until his graduation with the class of 1928. Admitted to the New York bar in September, 1928, he entered upon the active work of his profession in Albany and is now practicing as a member of the firm of Whalen, Murphy, McNamee & Creble, regarded as one of the strongest legal organizations in the city. Mr. Lochner specializes in mechanics' liens and railroad freight work and is well qualified to handle litigation of this character. His office is at 75 State street and he resides at 71 South Lake avenue, Albany. In religious faith he is an Episcopalian and his political allegiance is given to the democratic party. He belongs to the University Club of Albany, the Williams Club of New York city and the Beta Theta Pi fraternity. He gives to his legal work his undivided attention and studiousness, combined with the habits of industry and thoroughness, are bringing him rapidly to the fore in his profession.

WRIGHT J. SMITH

Wright J. Smith, whose record as sheriff of Ulster county is one which redounds to his credit, is also well known professionally, being a veterinarian of state-wide prominence. He was born in Woodburn, Sullivan county, New York, September 9, 1867, a son of Wright Smith, who was a native of Greenfield, Ulster county, born on a farm three miles from the Sullivan county line. The first representatives of the Smith family in the new world were two brothers, who left Holland early in the

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seventeenth century on a sailing vessel bound for America. They were numbered among the very early Dutch settlers of New York and procured a large tract of land from what is known as the Hardenburg patent or grant.

In early life Wright Smith became a tinsmith and followed the trade for a time in his native town, afterward removing to Monticello, New York. There he opened a store, which he stocked with hardware, also continuing as a tinsmith. He prospered in the venture and drew his trade from a wide area. At one time he had eight wagons on the road and when necessary accepted farm produce and rags in exchange for his merchandise. After the discovery of oil in the Titusville district of Pennsylvania he located in that town and there conducted a general store until his death in 1867. His wife, Susan B. (Evans) Smith, was born on a farm near Woodburn, New York, and was a daughter of Samuel Evans, who located there when the region was largely undeveloped. Six children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Smith: Josie, who departed this life in 1883; Minnie, now deceased, who first married Charles Count, of Ellenville, New York, and after his death became the wife of William Pride, of Wallkill, Ulster county; Hattie A., who married Charles Duvall, a railroad employe, living in Middletown, New York, and has become the mother of five children, Jennie, Hazel, Floyd, Raymond and Collier; Eloise, who is the widow of Dr. Albert Reid, of Highlands, New York, and has a son, Royal, who saw active service in France during the World war and is now engaged in business at New Paltz, where he is well known as a painting contractor; Jennie, who follows the profession of nursing and makes her home with her sister, Mrs. Eloise Reid, who is also a registered nurse; and Wright J.

The son supplemented his public school education by attendance at the University of North Dakota at Grand Forks, where he received his initial training for the work of his profession, and on returning to New York continued his studies in the American Veterinary College, from which he was graduated in 1893. In that year he opened an office in Kingston and soon won a lib-

eral practice. In 1902 he established a modern, completely equipped veterinary hospital here, thus meeting a real need. His marked ability and skill in his profession won for him a state appointment and since 1896 he has been identified with the state veterinary department. His professional prestige is further indicated in the fact that he was called to the presidency of the New York State Veterinary Medical Society and he also belongs to the Hudson River Valley Veterinary Medical Society and the American Veterinary Medical Association.

On the 11th of November, 1891, Dr. Smith was married to Miss Theresa Knapp, a native of Kerhonkson, Ulster county, and a daughter of Jackson Knapp, who was prominently identified with navigation interests of the Hudson river and during the early days was a large shipper of barrel staves.

Interested in agricultural pursuits, Dr. Smith formerly had a dairy farm of one hundred and sixty acres on the Sawkill road in Ulster township and later was the owner of a tract of one hundred acres near the town of Big Indian, in Ulster county. He had a capable manager in charge of both properties, which were devoted to general farming activities.

Dr. Smith was elected sheriff in 1917 and held office during 1918, 1919 and 1920. He was an alderman of Kingston for three terms and a member of the board of supervisors for two terms, from 1926 to 1929. In the fall of the latter year he was recalled to the office of sheriff and in 1930 he was reelected to his second term which is a most unusual honor, it being the first time in the history of Ulster county a sheriff has been reelected to a second consecutive term. He has proved fearless, conscientious and efficient in the discharge of his important duties, winning the strong commendation of all law-abiding citizens in Ulster county. He has never used political office for personal ends and honesty and ability have characterized all of his public service. As sheriff he has made his name a menace to criminals who seek to evade the law and during his first term his duties necessitated two trips to the west, one being to Ely, Nevada, and the other to Fresno, California. In his earlier years he was a keen sports-

man and greatly enjoyed hunting and fishing in the Catskill mountains. A York Rite Mason, he belongs to Kingston Lodge, No. 10, F. & A. M.; Mount Horeb Chapter, No. 75, R. A. M.; and Rondout Commandery, No. 52, K. T. He is also a noble of Cyprus Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Albany, of which he is a life member, a member of the Masonic Club of Kingston, the National League of Masonic Clubs, the Kingston Club and the State Alumni Association of the University of New York. His activities have been of a nature that has brought him a wide acquaintance, and while he has never courted popularity, he has won a secure place in the esteem of his fellowmen through his fidelity to trust and his high conception of duty and honor.

DENNIS J. MURPHY

Dennis J. Murphy, who is serving for the second term as supervisor of the third ward of Kingston, his native city, was born July 22, 1889, a son of John J. Murphy, who was a native of County Cork, Ireland. Coming to America as a young man, the father located in Kingston and here spent the remainder of his life, devoting his attention to railroad work. The Murphy family is a very old one in Ireland but all of its representatives in that country are deceased except Mr. Murphy's uncle, Jeremiah Murphy, who was a British soldier for thirty-six years and served on the principal battle fronts in France during the World war. Mary (Harmon) Murphy, the mother of Dennis J. Murphy, is a native of Kingston and a daughter of James and Mary (McGinn) Harmon, whose family numbered six children. Those now living are Mrs. Murphy; Patrick and James Harmon, of Newark, New Jersey; and Thomas Harmon, who resides in Kingston. Mrs. Murphy had three sons: Thomas J., a railroad employe, who was a member of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen at the time of his death in 1909; Joseph, who is in the service of the New York Central Railroad and belongs to the Brotherhood of Railroad Conductors, the Benevolent and Pro-

tective Order of Elks and the Knights of Columbus at Kingston; and Dennis J.

The last named obtained a grammar school education and his first commercial experience was gained in the United States Lace Curtain Mills at Kingston, where he worked for three years. He next became an employe of the River Division of the New York Central Railroad and has remained with the company for twenty years. Starting as a switch tender, he continued in that work for five years and was then promoted to the position of yard conductor, which he still holds.

With his mother and brother, Mr. Murphy resides at 42 Stephan street. During the World war period he promoted the sale of Liberty bonds and was active in the various campaigns promulgated by the government at that time. For eighteen years he has been one of the Kingston Knights of Columbus and his connection with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks covers a period of ten years. He has a predilection for politics and was a committeeman for the third ward of Kingston for fourteen years. In the fall of 1927 he was the successful candidate for supervisor of his ward and in 1929 was reelected for another term of two years. His civic loyalty has prompted his effective public service, and his integrity and devotion to duty are well known to the residents of this community, who entertain for him high regard.

GLENN A. FRANK

Notable among the successful attorneys of the city of Albany, New York, is Glenn A. Frank, whose offices are at 74 Chapel street. He has been a resident of this city since 1923, and in the intervening years he has created a most favorable reputation as a lawyer and business man. In local affairs he has followed consistently the course of a patriotic citizen. Prior to his coming to Albany, Mr. Frank served with distinction in the state excise department, likewise as deputy attorney general of

the state, in each of which capacities he achieved much by virtue of his legal ability and experience. He was born at Busti, New York, April 20, 1878, and is a son of D. D. and Esther L. (Trask) Frank.

D. D. Frank, who died August 16, 1928, was born at Kiantone, New York, and was a prominent stock dealer and produce merchant. His wife, Esther L. (Trask) Frank, was born at Busti, New York, and now makes her residence at Jamestown. Among the paternal ancestors of Glenn A. Frank was the first white child born in Chautauqua county, New York.

Glenn A. Frank completed his high school education at Jamestown, then read law in the office of A. C. Pickard, an attorney of that city. In 1900, he was admitted to the bar of New York state, and on January 1, 1901, was appointed a justice of the peace at Jamestown. He remained in practice in the latter city until 1903. He was then appointed a special agent for the state excise department, and in that position served until April 15, 1911. In that year he returned to Jamestown, where he resumed his practice, also conducted a real estate business, until 1916. On January 15, 1916, he was appointed deputy attorney general of New York state, and served as such until January 1, 1923. He then came to Albany, where he opened a law office in partnership with James A. Burnham, Jr., and this association was maintained until May 1, 1929, at which time he formed his present partnership with Emery A. Hamlin.

In politics, Mr. Frank has given his support to the republican party, and was state committeeman from Chautauqua county from 1920 to the fall of 1922. He belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

On June 17, 1903, at Buffalo, New York, Mr. Frank was married to Ora L. Post of Jamestown, New York. She is a daughter of James and Lydia (Lockwood) Post, the father, who died June 1, 1928, having been a lumberman. Both he and his wife were born at Waterford, Pennsylvania, and Mrs. Post is now living at Jamestown.

To the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Frank there have been born

two children. Nelson L. Frank, whose natal day was October 29, 1905, is now associated with his father in business, and is also an accomplished musician. He married Rose Tansey, of Albany, and they have one daughter, Mauvourn. Jeanne Frank, the second child of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn A. Frank, was born December 23, 1912, and is now a student in high school. The family residence is situated at 246 Delaware avenue in Albany.

BERNARD ELDRIDGE BOLDIN

Although he has figured in investment banking circles of Albany for only a few years, Bernard Eldridge Boldin has had broad experience in financial affairs, which have claimed his attention from the time he entered business life, and he is therefore well qualified to conduct important interests of this character. He was born in Ballston, Arlington county, Virginia, August 28, 1897, a son of John W. Boldin, now deceased, who was a native of Pennsylvania and for many years was connected with the National Bank of Washington, D. C. His widow, Mrs. Ella J. (Donaldson) Boldin, was born in that city and is now living in Clarendon, Virginia. Her mother was a Miss Ball and belonged to the family of which Mary Ball, the wife of George Washington, was a noted member.

Bernard E. Boldin supplemented his public school education by a course of study under the direction of the Young Men's Christian Association and attendance at the American Institute of Banking. His first position was that of bookkeeper at Rosslyn, Virginia, for the Arlington Trust Company, with which he spent two years. On the morning war was declared by the United States against Germany he enlisted in Troop A of the District of Columbia Cavalry, known as the President's Guard. When this was converted into an artillery organization he became a member of Battery B, a unit of the Twenty-ninth Division. His next assignment was with the quartermaster's staff and from there he was transferred to Headquarters Detachment, Ninth Field Bat-

talion of the regular army at Camp McClellan, Alabama. Enlisting as a private, he was made a corporal a month later, next became a sergeant on the quartermaster's staff, and finally was promoted to regimental sergeant major of the Ninth Regiment of Field Artillery. He remained at Anniston, Alabama, until January 21, 1919, when he was mustered out of the service with a most creditable military record.

After his discharge Mr. Boldin was made assistant superintendent of the Emergency Hospital in the city of Washington and six months later became assistant note teller of the American Security & Trust Company, acting in that capacity for about a year. His ability and trustworthiness won for him the appointment of assistant national bank examiner under John Skelton Williams, comptroller of currency, and at the end of three years he was advanced to the post of national bank examiner. He occupied that important office until 1926, completing eight years of efficient service in that department of the government. In 1926 he came to Albany as a representative for Edward B. Smith & Company, investment bankers of New York city, and he now represents Hallgarten & Company of 44 Pine street, New York. With a highly specialized knowledge of banking in all of its aspects, he renders to patrons of the house the benefit of expert advice in the selection of investments and has created a large volume of business for his company in this city.

On the 5th of July, 1920, Mr. Boldin was married in the First Presbyterian Church at Ballston, Virginia, to Miss Melanie G. Metzkes, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Her father, George W. Metzkes, an interior decorator and artist, came to this country from Germany and remained in the United States until his death in 1926. The mother, Mrs. Kathern (Kauffman) Metzkes, was also born in Germany and is now living with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Boldin at 14 Rosemont street, Albany. Mr. Boldin is a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Minneapolis, Minnesota, and attends the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Albany. A prominent Mason, he belongs to Columbia Lodge, No. 285, A. F. & A. M., of Clarendon, Vir-

ginia; Champlain Chapter, No. 25, R. A. M., at Whitehall, New York; and Council, R. & S. M., at Whitehall, New York; Calvary Commandery, No. 69, K. T., at Hudson Falls, New York; Minneapolis Consistory, A. A. S. R., at Minneapolis; and Zuhrah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Minneapolis. He has membership in the Schralen Country Club, composed of Masons, and is also identified with the Glens Falls Country Club. Unbiased in politics, Mr. Boldin places the qualifications of a candidate before party ties and is liberal and broad-minded in his views on all subjects. He has attained high standing in financial circles and owes his advancement entirely to his own efforts. His life record most clearly illustrates the fact that the field of opportunity is open to every individual and that the rewards of industry and devotion to duty are sure.

GEORGE W. GREENE

During the ten years of his association with the Albany bar George W. Greene has established his position among the younger lawyers of the capital city. He has also become well known in other connections, gaining state-wide prominence by reason of his political activities.

He was born in Rosendale, Ulster county, New York, June 20, 1895, and is of Irish lineage. Leaving their home in the County of Cork, his grandparents, William and Mary Greene sailed for America and settled in Ulster county, New York. For a number of years William Greene was connected with the Rosendale Cement Company and both he and his wife passed away at Creek Locks, New York. The son, William H. Greene, who was the father of George W. Greene, was born in Jersey City, New Jersey, and became a machinist and blacksmith. In later life he was with the Terry Brothers Brick Company at Kingston, New York, and there resided until his death on the 1st of January, 1926. A democrat in politics, he served for a time as justice of the peace at Rosendale, and his religious views were in accord

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with the doctrines of the Roman Catholic Church. In young manhood he married Mary E. MacFarland, a daughter of George and Mary E. (MacLean) MacFarland, natives of Londonderry, Ireland, where her father remained until his demise, but her mother's death occurred in Kingston, New York, in 1925. Mrs. William H. Greene was born in Coleraine, in the County of Londonderry, and is now living in Kingston.

Her son, George W. Greene, attended Old Kingston Academy until it ceased to exist as an educational institution when he entered Kingston high school, completing his course in 1916. In preparation for the career of an attorney, he enrolled as a student in the Albany Law School, which numbers him among its alumni of 1921 possessing the degree of LL. B. and in July of that year he was admitted to the bar. Locating in Albany, he was associated with Major Hugh Reilly for two years and in 1923 became connected with the law firm of Sanford & Alexander. This relationship was continued until July, 1927, since which time Mr. Greene has engaged in general practice under his own name at 109 State street. His clientele has grown rapidly and his law business is now of an important character.

During his student days he was the first editor-in-chief of *The Verdict*, the annual publication prepared by the seniors of the Albany Law School, and he is now editor-in-chief of the *Appellate Courts Digest* and vice president of the *Current Law Publishing Company, Inc.*, of Albany. In addition he is serving as secretary and treasurer of the *Bordeaux Laboratories Company, Inc.*, of Albany and as a director of the *Capital Mortgage Company* of this city. He is not only an able advocate and a safe counselor but a shrewd, farsighted business man whose interests are wisely and profitably managed.

On the 16th of November, 1926, Mr. Greene was married to Miss Agnes M. Garry, a daughter of Thomas J. and Catherine (Farrell) Garry, of Albany, and also of Irish ancestry. Mr. and Mrs. Greene now have a daughter, Mary Ellen, born May 29, 1928, and they reside at 1082 Madison avenue, Albany.

Mr. Greene's military record covers nineteen months' service

with the Headquarters Company, attached to the Three Hundred and Sixth Regiment of United States Infantry, a part of the Seventy-seventh Division, during the World war. His political service constitutes an important chapter in the record of his life. In 1926 he was the republican candidate for congress from the twenty-eighth congressional district, comprising Albany and a portion of Troy, but was defeated by Parker Corning. Mr. Greene was made chairman of the Albany County Republican Committee in July, 1927, and served until January 15, 1930. In 1928 he was a delegate from the twenty-eighth congressional district of New York to the Republican national convention at Kansas City, Missouri, that nominated Herbert Hoover for president. He was a delegate to the Republican state conventions of 1927 and 1928, also to the Republican judicial conventions in 1927, 1928 and 1929, representing the third judicial district, and was a member of the 1928 Hoover-Curtis state campaign committee, of which William H. Hill, of Binghamton, New York, acted as chairman. In 1922 Mr. Greene was made Deputy Miscellaneous Court Reporter, thus serving until 1925, when he became Deputy Supreme Court Reporter, and has since held that position. In January, 1931, on recommendation of the Albany County Bar Association, Mayor Thacher intrusted to him the task of compiling and recodifying the general ordinances and statutes as well as the special statutes of the city of Albany and with characteristic thoroughness and efficiency he is fulfilling this important commission.

Reared in the Catholic faith, Mr. and Mrs. Greene are communicants of the Church of St. Vincent de Paul and he is identified with the Knights of Columbus. The Albany Chamber of Commerce numbers him among its members, and any project that means the advancement of his city, county and state enlists his hearty support. He belongs to the Delta Chi fraternity of Union College and from 1921 until 1928 was alumnus adviser of that fraternity. His name is also on the membership rolls of the Delta Chi Club of New York city, the National Republican Club of New York city, the Unconditional Republican Club of Albany,

the Justinian Honorary Society of the Albany Law School, the Albany County Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association and the American Bar Association. His even-paced energy and well developed powers have carried him into important relations, although he is still a young man, and his professional colleagues and the general public unite in bearing testimony as to his marked ability and the firmness, depth and integrity of his character.

CHARLES J. McCAMBRIDGE, M. D.

For more than thirty years Poughkeepsie has been the scene of the professional labors of Dr. Charles J. McCambridge, who has won success and prominence in the field of general surgery. He is a son of Francis A. and Catherine (McCool) McCambridge and a brother of Dr. J. Edward McCambridge, whose sketch is published elsewhere in this work.

After attending the Christian Brothers school and the high school in the province of Ontario, Canada, Dr. Charles J. McCambridge enrolled as a student in Queen's University, from which he was graduated in 1898 with the M. D. degree. Crossing the border, he became connected with the staff of Gouverneur Hospital in New York city and on the 1st of June, 1899, located in Poughkeepsie, where he has since followed his profession with ever increasing success. Specializing in general surgery, he has developed his powers to a high point of efficiency and enjoys a large practice. He maintains his office at 49 South Hamilton street and is associate surgeon of St. Francis Hospital, consulting surgeon of the Hudson River State Hospital and also a member of the staff of the Bowne Memorial Hospital.

Dr. McCambridge was married to Miss Susan A. Cook, who was born in Dutchess county and is a daughter of Louis and Mary (Hooks) Cook, the latter a native of Ireland. Dr. and Mrs. McCambridge have three children: Francis A., who received the Bachelor of Arts degree from Holy Cross College and

the B. S. degree from Fordham University; Irene Susan, a graduate of the New Rochelle Teachers College and now engaged in educational work in Poughkeepsie; and Margaret, a sophomore in the college at New Rochelle.

The family are communicants of the Roman Catholic Church and Dr. McCambridge belongs to the local council of the Knights of Columbus. He is a member of the Hudson River Valley Association of Surgeons of the New York Central Railroad, the Dutchess-Putnam Medical Society, the New York Medical Society and the American College of Surgeons. Studious by nature, he has advanced with his profession and upholds its high standards.

MATTHEW V. CAHILL

Matthew V. Cahill, a member of the Kingston bar and the local representative of the United States Abstract & Surety Company, Inc., was born in this city June 1, 1904, and is a son of John T. and Ellen V. Cahill. The father, a lawyer of high standing, has practiced here for many years.

In the acquirement of an education Matthew V. Cahill attended one of the parochial schools of the city, next becoming a pupil in the Kingston high school, from which he was graduated in June, 1921. Ambitious to become an attorney, he enrolled as a student in Fordham University and won his LL. B. degree from that institution in June, 1925. In the same year he was admitted to the bar and after spending six months in the law office of Frank W. Brooks, of Kingston, he entered upon the general practice of law. His mind is analytical and logical in its trend and sound judgment directs the utilization of his legal knowledge. For a number of years he has been associated with the United States Abstract & Surety Company, Inc., which has its headquarters in Albany, New York, and is manager of the Kingston office at 276 Fair street. This is a position of large responsibility, for he is directing their operations in five counties

—Ulster, Greene, Delaware, Sullivan and Dutchess—and has worked untiringly and effectively to increase the volume of business in the district under his supervision.

On the 26th of August, 1928, Mr. Cahill was married to Miss Corinne D. Roach, who was born in North Bergen, New Jersey, June 5, 1910, a daughter of Thomas S. and Cora G. (Moylan) Roach, her grandfather, now deceased, served as mayor of that place. In his youth Thomas S. Roach entered the employ of the New York Central Railroad, to which he rendered thirty-five years of faithful service as a passenger conductor. He came with his family to Kingston when his daughter Corinne was very young and here she attended the public schools and the Moran Business School. By her marriage she has become the mother of a son, Robert Vincent, born July 19, 1929. The parents are communicants of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church and Mr. Cahill's political views are indicated in his connection with the Kingston Republican Club. Fraternally he is identified with the Knights of Columbus and the Loyal Order of Moose, while his professional affiliations are with the Ulster County Bar Association, the New York Bar Association and the American Bar Association. His rapidly expanding powers have carried him into important relations and, judging by what he has already accomplished, the future holds much in store for him.

CARL J. LAICHER

Steadily advancing through the exercise of effort and the wise use of his opportunities, Carl J. Laicher has become one of the substantial business men of Kingston and is also well known as a civic worker. A native of Germany, he was born January 4, 1875, and attended the public schools of that country until he reached the age of fourteen, when he sailed for America in company with his brother, Frank Laicher. They landed at New York in 1889 and at once made their way to Kingston, where their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. George Weisenberger, were

then living. Mr. Weisenberger followed the occupation of gardening until his death and his wife has also passed away.

During 1889 and 1890 Carl J. Laicher was a slate sorter on the Island dock at Kingston and for five years thereafter was with the Knickerbocker Ice Company, which subsequently became the American Ice Company. He worked in the shipyards of Jacob and Charles Rice for two years and then spent a year with the Houck Brewing Company. This was followed by six years of service as a coppersmith in the marine shops of the Cornell Steamboat Company, and he then ventured in business for himself, operating a cafe for many years and later was a retail dealer in fish and fruit. In 1928 he turned his attention to the confectionery and ice cream business, in which he has since engaged. At 119 Hasbrouck avenue he occupies a modern building, which he purchased March 1, 1910, and year by year his trade has increased, due to his capable management and the high-grade products which he sells.

On the 7th of January, 1903, Mr. Laicher was married to Miss Barbara Snyder, a native of Kingston and a daughter of John and Theresa Snyder. Mrs. Laicher passed away December 1, 1929, leaving a family of three children. The eldest, John A., was born October 29, 1903, and attended St. Peter's parochial school in Kingston and St. Mary's College at North East, Pennsylvania. He studied for the priesthood and following his ordination on the 16th of June, 1928, was assigned to St. Mary's rectory at Annapolis, Maryland, where he has since remained. Anna M., born November 10, 1904, pursued her studies in the parochial and public schools of Kingston, afterward taking a course in the Spencer Business College, and is now employed as a stenographer in the law office of Frank W. Brooks, of this city. Paul P., born January 20, 1909, supplemented his high school education by a course in St. Mary's College at North East and is now a student in Mount St. Alphonsus Seminary at Esopus, New York.

Appreciative of Mr. Laicher's ability and worth, his fellow citizens elected him supervisor of the sixth ward in the fall of

1929 for a term of two years and in discharging his duties in this connection he brings to bear the mature judgment of a practical business man, actuated by the sole motive of honest, efficient public service. He has made his way in the world, proving what may be accomplished when effort and ambition combine, and is esteemed for the sterling qualities to which he owes his success.

JOHN M. TRACY

John M. Tracy, an Albany business man whose real estate activities have been of direct benefit to the city as well as a source of individual prosperity, was born in Canaan, Columbia county, New York, August 13, 1888. His father, Michael F. Tracy, emigrated from the Emerald isle to the United States and devoted his attention to construction work. A prominent contractor, he was closely associated with building operations in various parts of the Empire state and in 1920 was called to his final rest. His widow, Mrs. Margaret (McGuire) Tracy, was born in Cork, Ireland, and now resides in Albany.

Her son, John M. Tracy, was graduated from the high school at Chatham, New York, with the class of 1908 and became a mechanical engineer in the employ of the Delaware & Hudson River Railroad Company. He remained with that company until 1916, when he opened a real estate office in Albany, and in the intervening period of fifteen years has created a business of large proportions. Alert to the trend of the times, he has directed his energies in directions where fruition is certain and his organization has ever upheld a high standard that has made the name of Tracy synonymous with safety in real estate investments in this locality. He specializes in the better class of properties and developed Loudonville Heights, the largest and finest subdivision property in the Albany capitol district.

On the 29th of September, 1928, Mr. Tracy was married in Albany to Miss Marion K. Hunt, a daughter of William and

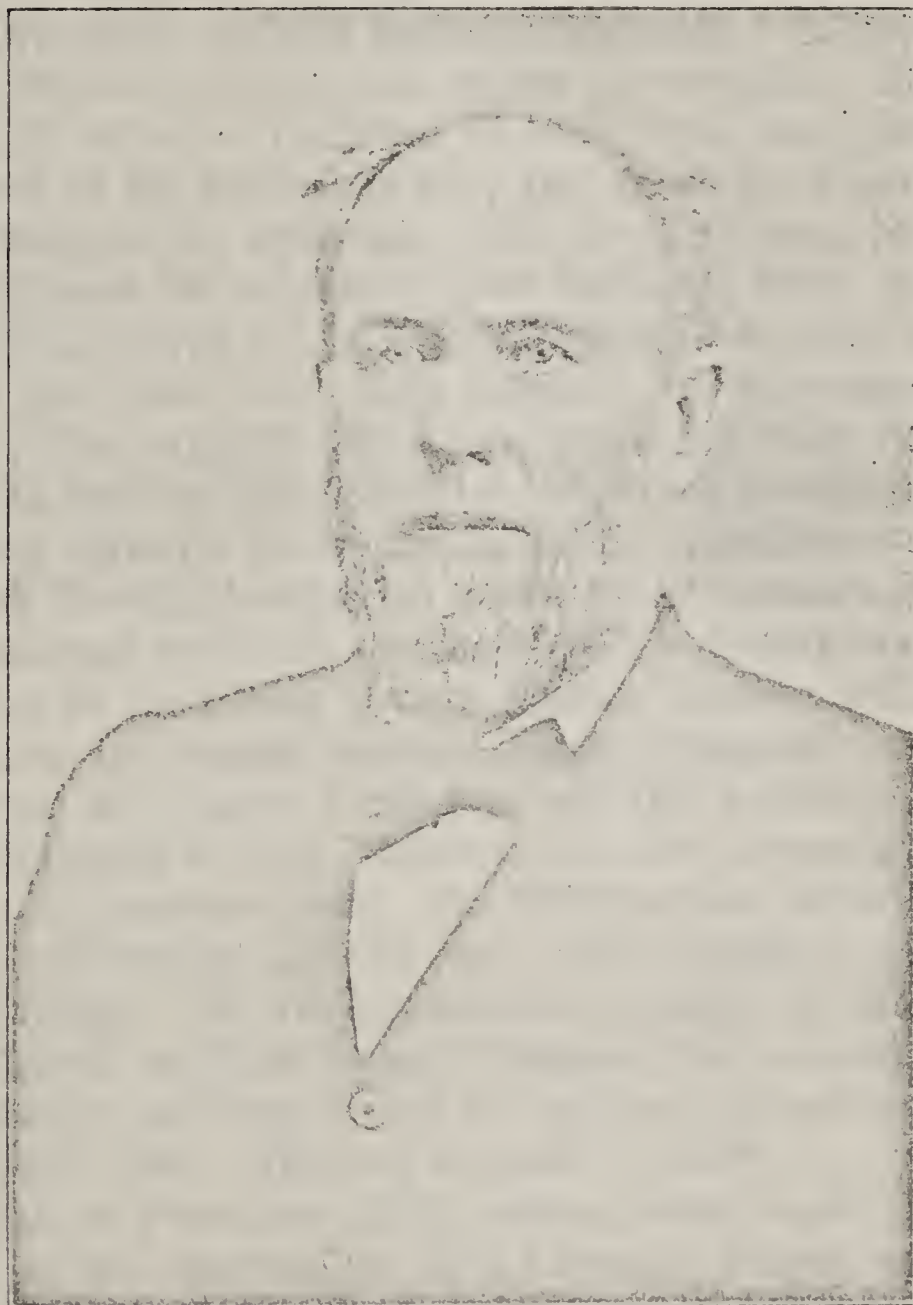
Nora (Ryan) Hunt. The father, an engineering contractor, died in 1930 but Mrs. Hunt still maintains her home in Albany, her native city. Mr. Tracy owns an attractive modern residence in Loudonville but his office is at 93 State street, Albany. During the World war he sold Liberty bonds and was active in the various drives promulgated by the government at that time. In religious belief he is a Roman Catholic and, like many broad-minded men of the present day, he is unbiased in his political views, casting his ballot for the candidates whom he considers best qualified for office, irrespective of party ties. He has studied the real estate business from every angle and in developing his interests he has greatly enhanced the value of property in the district in which he is operating.

CHARLES D. DEYO

Charles D. Deyo, now living retired in Kingston, is of Huguenot ancestry and bears a name that is known and honored throughout Ulster county. He was born in New Paltz, New York, March 12, 1877, and traces his ancestry to Christian Deyo, a Huguenot, who was a native of Calais, France, and about 1660 established his home in Mannheim, Germany. In 1675 Christian Deyo sailed for America, with Esopus, New York, as his destination, and in 1677 removed to New Paltz, where he resided until his demise in 1686. He was one of the original patentees of the township of New Paltz.

Dr. Charles W. Deyo, the father of Charles D. Deyo, was one of the foremost members of the medical fraternity in Ulster county. Reared on a farm, he obtained his elementary instruction in a country school and for five years was a pupil in the New Paltz Academy. In 1861 he began the study of medicine in New Paltz under the direction of Dr. David Wurts and in the fall of that year he matriculated in the Geneva Medical College, which he attended until the spring of 1862. In September, 1862, he enrolled as a student in the Bellevue Hospital Medical

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College in New York city and was graduated in March, 1863. Returning to New Paltz, he entered upon the active work of his profession and was there engaged in general practice for five years. In the fall of 1867 he was elected county clerk of Ulster county on the democratic ticket and took office January 1, 1868, serving for two terms, or for a period of six years. In the spring of 1871 he removed to Kingston, where he remained until the spring of 1874, when he returned to New Paltz and purchased the drug store of his brother-in-law, Dr. Jacob D. Wurts, conducting the business for some time. Dr. Deyo resumed his practice, which claimed his attention until January, 1875, when he joined the clerical force of the Huguenot National Bank of New Paltz, and a year later was made cashier. He represented the institution in that capacity for eleven years and then returned to Kingston as cashier of the State of New York National Bank. His next step upward brought him to the presidency of the Ulster County Savings Institution on the 1st of November, 1893, and under his wise guidance the bank grew and prospered. He was a member of the Ulster County Medical Society and served as its secretary for several years. Deeply interested in educational matters, he became a trustee and the secretary of the State Normal School at New Paltz and was also a member of the board of water commissioners. In 1865 he was inducted into the Masonic fraternity and he was also identified with the Knight of Pythias. He was a consistent member of the Dutch Reformed Church on Fair street, Kingston, and a man of unsullied reputation and high moral worth, honored and respected by all who knew him. He died August 31, 1896.

On the 8th of February, 1868, when twenty-eight years of age, Dr. Deyo was married to Miss Cornelia Wurts, who was born October 31, 1843, a daughter of Dr. David and Albina (Hassbrouck) Wurts, and they became the parents of four children: Anna M., who was born January 19, 1869, is the wife of Roland A. Denison of Rochester, New York; Elizabeth, born March 26, 1871, resides in Kingston; Maurice, born May 6, 1873, died in 1921, unmarried; and Charles D., who is the youngest member of the family. Mrs. Deyo died May 29, 1927.

After attending the public schools and Kingston Academy, Charles D. Deyo pursued a two years' course in Yale University and then entered the Albany Law School, from which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1902. He was admitted to the bar and became recognized as one of the leading attorneys of Kingston, where he practiced successfully for several years, but is now living retired. His home, a two-story dwelling of stone at the southeast corner of Fair street and Maiden lane, was built in 1725 and is one of the historic landmarks of Kingston. It was in this house that the committee of safety met in 1777. The building was partially destroyed by the British in 1777 and Coenraedt Elemendorph, who was then the owner, afterward converted it into a tavern. Mr. Deyo is a stalwart democrat and has been active in local politics. He stands for all that counts as an asset in public progress and community welfare and his substantial worth is attested by his fellow citizens, who speak of him in terms of high regard.

EDWARD M. STANBROUGH

Kingston is fortunate in having for its public officials men of proved worth and ability, and in this classification belongs Edward M. Stanbrough, supervisor for the twelfth ward, which he has represented in this capacity since 1926. He was born in Manheim, Herkimer county, New York, September 17, 1877, a son of the Rev. Rufus M. Stanbrough, who was a native of Orange county, this state, born in 1832, and descends from a family that settled in East Moriches, Long Island, in 1632. Rufus M. Stanbrough obtained his early education in Orange county and after his graduation from Rutgers College he completed a course in theology at the New Brunswick Seminary. He was ordained to the ministry and preached the gospel at Manheim, in Columbia, Herkimer county, Stone Arabia, Montgomery county, and also in West Hurley, Ulster county, occupying the pulpit of the Dutch Reformed Church in each place. He

removed from West Hurley to Kingston and here spent the last ten years of his life in retirement, passing away in 1905. His wife, Ellen E. (Snell) Stanbrough, was born in Manheim, New York, in 1843 and was called to her final rest in 1920. Her forbears were among the original settlers of what is now Herkimer county, locating on a large tract of land granted to them by the king of England. Snells Bush, in Herkimer county, was named in their honor. Seven Snell brothers fought in the battle of Oriskany, New York, where five met death while valiantly defending the cause of American independence, and Mrs. Ellen E. (Snell) Stanbrough was descended from one of the two surviving brothers who served throughout the Revolutionary war. By her marriage she became the mother of three children: Edward M.; Edith, the wife of Ward B. Everett, who is engaged in the insurance business in Kingston; and Jane E., who is now teaching in the public schools of the city. She is a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and also belongs to the Order of the Eastern Star and the White Shrine.

Edward M. Stanbrough pursued his studies in Kingston Academy and when his textbooks were laid aside he obtained work as a clerk in a local dry goods store. He next became an employe of the Butterick Publishing Company of New York and remained with them for eighteen years. He represented the company on the road, traveling from coast to coast and covering practically all of the United States, and his territory also included all of the Canadian provinces. Owing to failing health he resigned his position and returned to Kingston. Here he lived retired until 1926, when he was appointed supervisor for the twelfth ward to complete the unexpired term of J. Charles Snyder, who had resigned. In 1927 Mr. Stanbrough was elected to the office for a term of two years and his record won him reelection in 1929. Honest and efficient, he has exerted every effort in behalf of his ward, and his services have been highly satisfactory to his constituents. Mr. Stanbrough and his sisters are members of the Old Dutch Reformed Church.

Mr. Stanbrough resides at 140 Main street. A prominent

Mason, he belongs to Kingston Lodge, No. 10, F. & A. M.; Mount Horeb Chapter, No. 75, R. A. M., of this city; Rondout Commandery, No. 52, K. T.; and Cyprus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. at Albany, New York. He is also identified with the Eastern Star, the Masonic Club, the Kingston Club, the Craftsmen's Club and the United Commercial Travelers Association, all of Kingston, and is an associate member of the Boy Scouts of America. During the World war period he was active in the Liberty Loan campaigns and in other drives instituted by the government at that time. In matters of public moment he is deeply interested and any project that means the advancement of his city, county or state enlists his hearty support.

JOHN L. HALEY

Thoroughly equipped by education and experience, John L. Haley has achieved a noteworthy reputation in engineering and associated occupations, and now holds the responsible position of vice president of the New York Power & Light Corporation, with offices at 126 State street, Albany, New York. He was born in Ada, Ohio, on the 25th of August, 1887, a son of Patrick R. and Josephine (McQuown) Haley. Both of the parents were born in Hardin county, Ohio, and the father is now residing at Mansfield, Ohio, while the mother died in 1896. John Haley, the grandfather of John L. Haley, was a member of the state legislature, also a senator, during his lifetime.

John L. Haley received his first education in the public schools of Rushsylvania, Ohio. In 1907, he entered the University of Colorado, where he remained for two years, then studied civil engineering at Ohio State University in Columbus for one year. In 1912 he returned to the University of Colorado, and in 1914 graduated from that institution with the electrical engineering degree and the Bachelor of Science degree. Upon receiving his diploma, he took the Henry L. Doherty Utility Training Course, after which he served for two years with the Denver

Gas & Electric Light Company. For one and a half years, he was associated with the Danbury & Bethel Gas & Electric Company at Danbury, Connecticut, as an engineer, and for a period of three years was with the traveling auditing staff of H. L. Doherty & Company of 60 Wall street, New York city. During the World war he had a leave of absence and served with the Federal Fuel Administration as assistant engineer, and was also in the War Camp Community Service at Augusta, Georgia. On January 1, 1919, he returned to H. L. Doherty & Company for special work in New York for one year. He was then sent to Hattiesburg, Mississippi, as general manager of the Hattiesburg Traction Company, supplying gas, electric and street railway service. The prestige of Mr. Haley in his profession had been constantly growing during these years, and in August, 1922, he assumed the position of general commercial manager of the Adirondack Power & Light Corporation of Amsterdam, New York. He was subsequently appointed vice president of this organization, also vice president of the Municipal Gas Company, the Eastern New York Utilities Company, and the Troy Gas Company, and when these companies were taken over by the New York Power & Light Corporation, he assumed his present office, in the conduct of which he has won high praise.

On September 2, 1918, at St. Louis, Missouri, Mr. Haley was married to Rose Edith Wilson of New York city, and to this union there was born one son, John L., Jr. Mrs. Haley died December 23, 1928.

On February 1, 1930, at New York city, Mr. Haley was married secondly to Harriett H. Sluns, of Averill Park, New York, and a daughter of Frederick Sluns, a native of Germany. Mr. and Mrs. Haley reside at 252 South Main avenue in Albany.

In politics, Mr. Haley has given his support to the republican party, and his religious connection is with the Presbyterian Church. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, belonging to Union Lodge, No. 4, of Danbury, Connecticut, and the Hattiesburg consistory. He is a member of the University Club of Albany; the Fort Orange Club; the Schuyler Meadows Country Club; and

the Mohawk Golf Club of Schenectady, New York. During his collegiate years he was an active member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity, and he now has membership in the National Electric Light Association; the Society for Electrical Development; and the American Gas Association. He is a director in the Albany Chamber of Commerce.

GEORGE W. CANFIELD

Among the pioneer organizations that have figured in Kingston's commercial development and prosperity is the Canfield Supply Company, with which George W. Canfield has been identified throughout his business career and of which he is now the vice president. He was born in this city on the 4th of July, 1879, and is a son of Stephen G. Canfield, who was born in 1851. In his youth the father became a tinsmith and coppersmith, later turning his attention to heating engineering, and is now living retired. He married Estella J. Reynolds, of Kelly Corners, Orange county, New York, and seven children were born to them: Stephen Girard, who died in 1916, when forty-two years of age; Jennie Belle, who was the wife of Robert J. Johnston and passed way in 1906; George W.; Van Beck, who departed this life in 1906; Palmer A.; Milton Holmes, engaged in the upholstering business in Kingston; and Evelyn, supervisor of penmanship in the public schools of Larchmont, New York. The son, Palmer A. Canfield, began the study of law at the age of seventeen in the offices of William D. Brinnier, of Kingston, a prominent attorney, with whom he afterward practiced successfully as a member of the firm of Brinnier & Canfield. They were associated for a quarter of a century, handling much important litigation. Appreciative of his ability and worth, the citizens of Kingston chose Mr. Canfield as their mayor and retained him in the office from January 1, 1914, until December 31, 1922. For four terms of two years each he efficiently administered the affairs of the municipality, enjoying the distinction of being the only mayor of

the city to serve continuously for a period of eight years. He is now a legal representative of the government and resides in Washington, D. C.

George W. Canfield was accorded a public school education and at an early age took up plumbing, heating and engineering work, which he has followed throughout life in connection with the Canfield Supply Company, located at 16-18 East Strand street. The business was founded in 1850 by Palmer Canfield, a native of Rhinebeck, New York. The enterprise was started as the Empire Stove Depot and Palmer Canfield was the first to occupy the store and building when it was completed in 1850. He was a tinsmith—a trade which he learned in his youth. During the early years in the history of the business he established trade relations with agriculturists throughout Ulster county, selling his stock of goods from a wagon, and often accepted farm produce in exchange for his merchandise. Thus he fostered the growth of the business, which has steadily expanded year by year, keeping pace with the progress of the district which it serves. To the upbuilding of this pioneer institution George W. Canfield has given the best efforts of his life and as vice president of the company he manifests the sagacity, initiative and forcefulness which seldom fail of the desired results.

On the 11th of November, 1908, Mr. Canfield was married in Rosendale, New York, to Miss Susie Woolsey, a daughter of Franklin and Dora Woolsey and a member of an old and highly respected family of the town. Her father contributed toward its growth and improvement as a contractor and builder and her grandfather was a wagonmaker in Rosendale for many years. Mr. and Mrs. Canfield have two children: George F., who was born January 25, 1916; and Harold W., born March 5, 1920.

Mr. Canfield has long been a zealous member of the Rondout Presbyterian Church and was one of its trustees for three terms of three years each. His connection with the Weimer Hose Company covers three decades and he has been a member of the Exempt Firemen's Association for a quarter of a century. He also belongs to Rondout Lodge, No. 343, F. & A. M., to the Young

Men's Christian Association and the Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Canfield's love for his city has been expressed in many tangible ways and his life in its various phases will bear the test of intimate knowledge and close association.

WILLIAM C. SCHRYVER

Deprived of educational advantages in his youth, William C. Schryver was trained in the rigorous school of experience, developing a strong, self-reliant nature which has enabled him to surmount the obstacles and difficulties in his path and press steadily onward and upward. Today he heads a large lumber company and is prominently associated with building operations in Kingston, which numbers him among its foremost business men. He was born in Olive, Ulster county, New York, July 16, 1877, a son of Henry Schryver, who was a native of Kingston and always resided in the Empire state. The father was a contractor and an expert cabinetmaker—an occupation which he followed until his demise, which occurred in Olive when he was fifty-three years of age. The mother, Hannah M. (Winchell) Schryver, was born in Olive and there passed away in 1917 at the age of seventy-three years. Her father, a pioneer cooper of that town, was also engaged in farming. To Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schryver were born the following children, of whom four died in infancy. John, who married Albertina Teas, of Olive, departed this life in 1927. He was associated with William C. Schryver in the lumber business for twelve years, while his fraternal relations were with the Red Men, the Odd Fellows and the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. Egbert, a native of Olive, was employed for many years in a pulp mill, there continuing until shortly before his death in 1910. George J., born in Kingston, became one of its pioneer automobile dealers and has been local agent for the Willys-Knight and Whippet lines since 1904. He married Miss Eleanor Young, who was born in the town of Ulster, and they have two children: Edith M., a

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landscape architect who studied in Europe; and Harry E., associated with his father in the automobile business. The son married Arzula Rockwell, a native of Woodstock, New York, and they are the parents of two children, Mary Louise and Aileen. George J. Schryver belongs to the Junior Order of United American Mechanics and is a Scottish Rite Mason and a Shriner. His wife is active in the Eastern Star and has held the office of worthy matron.

William C. Schryver acquired a very limited education, for he left school when a lad of ten in order to assist the family, the father having died when he was six years old. He earned his first money by cutting wood, receiving three dollars per cord, after which he worked in the pulp mill for three years. At the age of thirteen he became a carpenter's apprentice and followed the trade until he was eighteen, when he joined his brother-in-law, Chauncey Teas, a blacksmith and wagon maker, as co-partner, there continuing for four years, at that time selling his interest to Mr. Teas. He then obtained employment in the West Shore Restaurant at Kingston, where he worked for three and a half years. Mr. Schryver realizing the need of technical knowledge and having in mind a definite career, took an architectural drawing course in a well-known correspondence school and averaged ninety-nine percent in his examinations. In 1915, in association with his brother, John H. Schryver, and H. H. Buckley, he purchased from Floyd Brothers their lumber yard and mill, which had been in operation for many years. Mr. Buckley continued in the contracting end of the business for eight years and spent five years in the mill. He then withdrew from the concern, which was controlled by William C. and John H. Schryver until 1923, when the former became sole owner of the business, which is conducted under the style of the Wm. C. Schryver Lumber Company, Inc., of which he is the president and treasurer. In April, 1926, he purchased thirty-two lots, bounded by four hundred feet on Fair street, four hundred and twenty feet on Pine street and two hundred and twenty feet on Henry street. On these lots he built thirty-two desirable modern homes and in the

center of the plot laid out a street, which he named Schryver court. In Kingston he has erected over two hundred fine homes and has also done considerable work outside of the city. At Annandale-on-Hudson he built the gymnasium of St. Stephen's College in 1920 and at Rhinebeck, New York, he had a thirty-two thousand dollar contract for work on the Vincent Astor estate which required one and a half years. On this estate he constructed the superintendent's home and the poultry houses, which were completed at a cost of twelve thousand dollars. He was the builder of the high school at Wallkill, the Jewish Working Girls' Home at Big Indian, a large addition to the Poor House at New Paltz, New York, and has had many other contracts for stores, theaters, etc. In working out his designs he embodies all modern architectural ideas looking to comfort, convenience and beauty and it is through his ability, efficiency and enterprise that the company which he represents has reached its present position of leadership. He developed the Manor Park tract in Kingston and has been one of the strongest individual forces in the city's up-building and improvement. Mr. Schryver has always developed his own properties. He owned twenty acres of land, which was purchased by the city of New York for its water supply, and he has profited by all of his investments, due to his foresight and rare judgment. The extent of his business is shown in the fact that he annually uses one hundred and twenty-five carloads of lumber. His yard has a frontage of three hundred feet on Foxhall avenue and is three hundred feet deep. The mill has storage space for thirty-three cars of lumber and is electrically operated. This model institution reflects the careful supervision, the progressive methods and high standards of its owner, who has devoted much energy, thought and study to the development of the business and constantly has some new plan in the making.

Mr. Schryver was united in marriage to Miss Mary Ellen Brandow, a native of Kingston. He has two children: Doris E., who was born July 18, 1909, and was married in 1928 to Louis Burns and they have a daughter, Patricia; and Donald William, who was born in this city December 15, 1912, and is attending the New York Military Academy at Cornwall-on-the-Hudson.

A Scottish Rite Mason and a Shriner, Mr. Schryver is also identified with the Junior Order of United American Mechanics and the United Commercial Travelers. He has membership in the Church of the Comforter, a branch of the Dutch Reformed Church, and shapes his conduct by its teachings. As a representative of one of the old and prominent families of this part of the state he is widely and favorably known. His grandfather, John H. Schryver, conducted the Temperance Hotel on Main street, Kingston, in the early days and also served as sheriff of Ulster county. Inheriting the sterling qualities of his Knickerbocker ancestors, William C. Schryver has risen to the top through the medium of his own efforts and is accorded the respect and esteem due the self-made man of high principles and upright life.

WILLIAM A. VANDERVEER

As a wholesale produce merchant and an orchardist William A. Vanderveer became widely known, achieving a measure of success which now enables him to live retired in Port Ewen, where he has made his home for forty years. He was born in Marlboro, Monmouth county, New Jersey, April 27, 1864, and traces his ancestry in this country to Cornelius Janse Vanderveer, who was a native of Alkmar in northern Holland and came to America as a passenger on the ship Otter, landing at Flatbush, Long Island, in February, 1659. In 1672 he married Tryntje Hendrickson, a daughter of Gillis De Vanderveer and Eltje Hendrickson, who sailed from Holland to America on the Narsman in April, 1659. In February, 1678, Cornelius Janse Vanderveer purchased a farm at Flatbush and there reared his family of ten children. In the record of the family the Vanderveer coat of arms is described as follows: "The arnis art, argent (silver or white). Three fir trees (natural green). In the middle chief (a terfoil, three-leaved clover with stem red). (Red turned up Ermine) Interpretation. Terfoil denotes some action in defense

of the Trinity had been performed by him to whom the arms were first granted. The cap of dignity in crest denotes the family to have been of noble origin. The wolf's head in heraldry denotes courage and determination. The Latin inscription in English is 'What we undertake we do.' "

Joseph Augustus Vanderveer, the father of William A. Vanderveer, was born in Marlboro, New Jersey, January 11, 1840, and followed the occupation of farming. He spent his life on the home place, passing away October 15, 1915, at the age of seventy-five years. In young manhood he married Rachel M. Rue, who was born in Perrineville, Monmouth county, New Jersey, April 1, 1843, and has reached the venerable age of eighty-eight years. Six children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Vanderveer of whom four are now living.

William A. Vanderveer was reared and educated in his native town, attending the public schools and the McChesney select school. He remained at home until he reached the age of twenty-one, assisting his father in developing the farm, and then went to New York city, where he spent six years with the firm of Hall & Ferguson, located on Read street, filling the position of produce buyer. Ambitious and enterprising, Mr. Vanderveer decided to use the experience thus gained for his own advantage and in 1891 embarked in the wholesale farm produce business in Port Ewen. He was thus engaged for twenty-two years and during sixteen years of that period was associated with C. A. Coleman, of Lyons, New York, under the style of Vanderveer & Coleman. Steadily expanding, this became one of the largest concerns of the kind in the Hudson River Valley and during the World war period Mr. Vanderveer exerted his efforts to supply the needs of the United States government, to which he furnished about two thousand carloads of hay and produce. In 1925 he withdrew from that business and concentrated his attention upon the raising of fruit. In 1910 he set out twelve thousand apple and pear trees in Port Ewen and Ulster Park and continued as a fruit grower until 1929, becoming recognized as one of the foremost orchardists of the state. Since disposing of his interests in this

connection he has lived retired save for his service as a trustee of the Rondout Savings Bank and as a director of the Inter-State Bag Company of Walden, New York. Forceful, sagacious and farsighted, he has carried forward to a successful issue everything that he has attempted and his name is an important asset to the business and financial institutions which he now represents.

On the 26th of August, 1891, Mr. Vanderveer was married to Miss Gracie Frances Sleight, a native of Port Ewen and a daughter of Lyman E. and Elizabeth (Thorpe) Sleight, who were born in the same town. Like her husband, Mrs. Vanderveer is a member of one of the old Knickerbocker families of New York, being a direct descendant of Cornelius Berentsen Sleight, who came to America in 1661 from Kissart, Nierdam, Werdam, Holland. Mr. and Mrs. Vanderveer have one son, Joseph Ellsworth, who was born July 30, 1892, and supplemented his public school training by attendance at the Staunton Military Academy of Virginia. Returning to the Empire state, he engaged in the automobile business in Port Ewen for a time and then removed to Kingston, where he was a dealer in men's furnishings for six years. He is still identified with business interests of that city but now handles the General Motors line of automobiles and trucks. In Masonic circles he is well known as a member of Kingston Lodge, No. 10, F. & A. M., and Mount Horeb Chapter, No. 75, R. A. M., of Rondout. He married Miss Marion Crosby, a daughter of Marvin Crosby, and they have two children: Barbara Crosby, who was born December 30, 1915; and Augusta Frances, born August 8, 1918.

William A. Vanderveer is a York Rite Mason, identified with Rondout Lodge, No. 343, F. & A. M.; Mount Horeb Chapter, No. 75, R. A. M.; and Rondout Commandery, No. 52, K. T. He is a noble of Cyprus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Albany and a member of the Kingston Shriners Association. Both he and his wife are members of Clinton Chapter, No. 845, of the Order of the Eastern Star and he also belongs to the Knights of Pythias. He is a worthy exemplar of these organizations and has been

faithful to every relation in life. With deep interest he has watched the progress of this section of Ulster county but has been more than an onlooker, for his constructive efforts have constituted a vital element in the development and prosperity of the community in which he has so long resided and where he is held in high esteem.

JOHN ISAAC COTTER, M. D.

A physician of broad experience and marked ability, Dr. John Isaac Cotter worthily upholds the traditions of the family, which has been represented in medical circles of Poughkeepsie for many years. He was born in Jackson Corners, New York, August 22, 1881, a son of John Henry Cotter, who was a native of Quaker Lane, Dutchess county. The grandfather, John Cotter, was born in County Cork, Ireland, and in 1849 sailed for America. He purchased land in the vicinity of Poughkeepsie and later removed to a farm near Shultzville, New York. In Ireland he married Miss Mary Haggerty and they had a family of nine children, of whom Elizabeth, Mary, James and Lawrence were born on the Emerald isle, while John Henry, William, Cornelius, Anna and Nora were natives of Dutchess county.

John Henry Cotter was graduated from the Albany Medical College and in 1878 opened an office at Jackson Corners. In 1894 he came to Poughkeepsie and here engaged in practice until his death on the 9th of September, 1929. He was one of the founders of St. Francis Hospital and from that time until the close of his life was continuously associated with the institution. A physician of marked ability and high standing, Dr. Cotter rendered valuable service to his city in connection with the Pelton Pond case, when he and other medical authorities testified that this pond, a breeding place of mosquitoes, was responsible for the prevalence of malaria in that locality. Keenly interested in politics, he became chairman of the democratic county committee and was also active in civic affairs. He was a faithful communicant

of St. Peter's Catholic Church and belonged to the Knights of Columbus. He became a charter member of the Poughkeepsie Lodge of Elks and in 1904 was made president of his alumni association. A man of high ideals, Dr. Cotter loved his profession for the good which it enabled him to do and his memory is enshrined in the hearts of all who knew him. In young manhood he married Miss Mary Smith, who was born in Mount Ross, New York, and passed away in 1885. She was a daughter of Isaac and Maria (Stickle) Smith, the former also a native of Mount Ross. Their family numbered two children, the other being Ida Smith. To Dr. John H. and Mary (Smith) Cotter were born two sons: John Isaac; and William, now deceased. Dr. Cotter's second wife was Mary Calvey and they had three children: Cornelius, deceased; Lawrence, who won the M. D. degree at the Albany Medical College, afterward taking a post-graduate course in the Bellevue Hospital Medical College, and is now well known as a specialist in internal medicine and associate professor of medicine at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in New York city; and Mary Alice, a high school teacher.

Dr. John I. Cotter obtained his early instruction in the public schools of Poughkeepsie and afterward attended the Albany Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1904. For eighteen months he was connected with the Albany Hospital and then located at Maybrook, New York, where he remained for nineteen years. He was local surgeon for the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, for the New York, Ontario & Western and also for the Erie Railroad. In addition he found time to do special work in Gouverneur, Bellevue and other large hospitals of New York in connection with internal medicine and the diseases of children, and during the World war period he was requested to remain at Maybrook to render professional service to the sixteen hundred men engaged in government work there. In 1924 he removed to Poughkeepsie, opening an office at 313 Mill street, where he is still located, and enjoys an enviable reputation as a specialist in internal medicine and diseases of children. In connection with the latter branch of medical science he

is attending physician at St. Francis and Vassar hospitals and his practice has assumed large proportions.

Dr. Cotter was married to Miss Fannie Penoyer, a native of Goshen, New York, and a daughter of W. J. and Anna (Roe) Penoyer. Mrs. Cotter is active in behalf of the Day Nursery and is also identified with the woman's auxiliary of Vassar Hospital. The Doctor belongs to the Knights of Columbus, the Dutchess County Historical Society, the Dutchess County Golf & Country Club, the Amrita Club, the Rotary Club, the North Dutchess and Southern Columbia Society, which his father aided in organizing, the Medico-Philosophical Society, and formerly was connected with the Newburgh Bay Medical Society. In 1912 he was president of the Orange County Medical Society and is now a member of the Dutchess County and New York State Medical societies and the American Medical Association. His close study, unfaltering effort and devotion to his profession have carried him steadily forward, placing him with the leading specialists of this part of the state, and his personal qualities are such as inspire esteem and respect.

LUCIUS H. DOTY

Lucius H. Doty, an officer of the Newcombe Oil Company, Inc., and an enterprising business man of Kingston, was born in Catskill, Greene county, May 25, 1876, and is a member of one of the prominent families of New York. He traces his lineage to Edward Doty, who was a native of England and on coming to America first located in Massachusetts. Lucius Robinson Doty, one of his descendants, was born in Windham, New York, and in his youth removed to Catskill, where he opened a dry goods store. He prospered in business and retired some years before his death. He became postmaster of Catskill, occupying the office for two terms. He was named for an uncle, Hon. Lucius Robinson, who served as governor of New York. The wife of Lucius R. Doty, Mary Rebecca (Van Gelder) Doty, was a native of Greene

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county, New York, and of Dutch ancestry. Mr. and Mrs. Lucius R. Doty were the parents of three sons: Lucius H., of this review; William, who died in infancy; and Percival G., whose home was in Catskill. There he enlisted in the army, becoming a stenographer in the aviation department, and landed in France in May, 1918. While in the service of his country he became ill with influenza and died in October, 1918.

The educational advantages enjoyed by Lucius H. Doty were afforded by the public schools and Catskill Academy, from which he was graduated in 1893. He then entered his father's store and was associated with him in the dry goods business for several years. Interested in military affairs, he joined the Tenth Regiment, New York National Guard, at Catskill, when a young man of twenty-one and rose to the rank of first lieutenant. When the nation became involved in the World war he offered his aid to his country, was in camp at Spartanburg, S. C., and went to France with the One Hundred and Sixth Regiment. For nine months he was on active duty and was stationed on various fronts. On the 29th of September, 1919, during the attack on the Hindenburg line, he received injuries which incapacitated him for further service and was sent to a hospital in England. Following his return to the United States he was in an army hospital from February until October, 1919, when he received an honorable discharge. At an earlier period in his overseas service he was in Liverpool, England, and as assistant provost marshal, had charge of military police.

On resuming the status of a civilian Mr. Doty returned to Catskill and entered the employ of the Newcombe Oil Company as a bookkeeper in their local office, which was then situated in a residence. In the spring of 1920 the company leased a suite in the Post building in Catskill, there continuing until April, 1924, when they established their headquarters in Kingston. Progressing with the business, Mr. Doty was intrusted with the responsibilities of an executive and for some years was secretary of the company. Later he was elected vice president, and when A. R. Newcombe disposed of the business in 1930 to the

Cities Service Company, Mr. Doty was retained as vice president and chosen as general manager. Through experience and ability he is well qualified for these important duties and is exerting every effort to further the interests of this extensive corporation, whose operations have placed it with the foremost organizations of the kind in the country. He has made a close study of matters relative to the business and there is no phase of the oil industry with which he is not thoroughly familiar.

On the 1st of May, 1917, Mr. Doty was married in Catskill to Miss Maude E. Garling, a native of that place and a daughter of Frederick and Carrie Garling, both of Dutch ancestry. The father, who is now deceased, was long a dealer in horses and also engaged in contracting in Catskill. Mr. Doty was chosen commander of the Catskill Post of the American Legion but now belongs to Kingston Post, No. 150, and is a past president of the Kingston Kiwanis Club. He has served as deacon of the First Dutch Reformed Church of which both he and Mrs. Doty are members. Engrossed in his work, he has never sought political preferment but has given ample proof of his loyalty and patriotism. His has been a life of quiet devotion to duty and in the fullness of time he has reaped the rewards of honesty, industry and unfaltering purpose. Mr. Doty's residence is at 71 Linderman avenue.

JOSEPH SELL LAWRENCE, M. D.

Dr. Joseph Sell Lawrence now holding the responsible position of executive officer of the Medical Society of the State of New York, with offices at 100 State street in Albany, is known over the whole state as one of the most brilliant and accomplished members of the profession. He is a recognized authority in bacteriology, and has previously held a number of important positions dealing with this phase of medicine, likewise has written upon the subject. He was born at Washingtonborough, Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, June 25, 1877, a son of Jacob H. and Sarah Alice (Sell) Lawrence.

Jacob H. Lawrence was also a native of Lancaster county, Pennsylvania, and is now living in retirement at Columbia, that state, having attained his eighty-fourth year (1931). He is of German and Scotch descent. His wife, who was born at Sells Station, Adams county, Pennsylvania, died in 1893. Her father was a farmer and store keeper at Sells Station for many years, and prominent in the affairs of his county.

Dr. Joseph S. Lawrence attended the common schools, and in 1898 graduated from the Millersville (Pennsylvania) Normal School. During two years of his normal course, he was a teacher, and continued in that capacity for two years thereafter. In 1900, he entered Franklin College, and from that institution received the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1904. Again he taught school for two years, and was assistant principal of an academy at Reading, Pennsylvania. Later he became special agent for the Central Accident Insurance Company of Pittsburgh, and introduced that company throughout New York state. In May, 1906, he was appointed principal of the Mercersburg Academy for Boys at Mercersburg, Pennsylvania. He was a member of the faculty of that school and taught chemistry for one year, after which he was superintendent of buildings and grounds until 1911. He then returned to Franklin and Marshall College for a post-graduate course of study, and received his Master of Arts degree. Having determined to take up medicine as his life's work, he entered Johns Hopkins Medical School in 1912, and graduated therefrom in 1916.

Dr. Lawrence immediately went to France to take charge of the laboratories of the American Ambulance Corps at Neuilly-sur-Seine, and while there assisted in inaugurating the Carrell-Dakin method of sterilizing wounds, working directly with Dr. Carrell. Equipped with this valuable experience, Dr. Lawrence returned to Johns Hopkins in November, 1916, where he accepted a position on the faculty as assistant in presenting the course in immunology. With Dr. Halsted, he developed the study of surgical bacteriology. During four years at Johns Hopkins, he with Dr. W. W. Ford, made a special study of aerobic

spore-bearing non-pathogenic bacteria. He was co-author of a volume entitled *Studies in Aerobic Spore Bearing Non-Pathogenic Bacteria*, which was issued in 1916, and which has become one of the accepted authoritative reference works on the subject of which it treats.

In May, 1917, Dr. Lawrence came to Albany, New York, as assistant bacteriologist with the state laboratory, and before the end of the year was appointed bacteriologist pathologist to the state laboratory. In July, 1918, he was appointed chief of the bureau of venereal diseases in the department of health, and in 1920 became a director of this bureau. He resigned in 1924 to become executive officer of the Medical Society of the State of New York, an organization which has twelve thousand members, and is the largest unit of its kind in the world. Dr. Lawrence is a fellow of the American Medical Society. While in the department of health he was acting surgeon in the public health service. During the World war, he was a first lieutenant, medical. He is now chairman of the health committee of Social Agencies, a member of the medical advisory board of the Social Hygienic Association, and the American Public Health Association.

In politics, Dr. Lawrence has supported the democratic party, and his religious connection is with the Westminster Presbyterian Church, in which he is an elder. He is a member of the Normandie Country Club; the City Club of New York; the Military Surgeons; the Eugenic Society of the United States; the Sanitary Officers Association of New York; the Rotary Club; and the Historical Society of Albany. He is a thirty-second degree Mason, belonging to Columbia Lodge, No. 282, F. & A. M., in Pennsylvania, the Knights Templar, and Cyprus Temple of the Mystic Shrine.

At Albany, New York, on June 22, 1920, Dr. Lawrence was married to Roberta Victoria Leslie, a native of England, then residing in Rochester, New York, and to this union there have been born two children, namely: Roberta Jane, born December 26, 1921, and Joseph Leslie, born July 31, 1923. The children

are respectively attending the Albany Academy for Girls and the Albany Boys Academy. Mrs. Lawrence is a member of the Progress Club, the Women's Club, the City Club, and the Historical Society of Albany. Her parents, both natives of England, are now deceased, the father in 1919 and the mother in 1889; the former was a regional director of agriculture in England. Dr. and Mrs. Lawrence reside at 355 Delaware avenue, Delmar, New York.

ZADOC PRATT BOICE

A man of broad vision and keen intellect, Zadoc Pratt Boice was a vital force for progress in Kingston and in his life he exemplified those qualities which constitute the basis of all honorable and desirable prosperity. He was born in Boiceville, New York, July 29, 1858, a son of Lemuel Boice, who was born in Shokan, Olive township, Ulster county, May 5, 1819. After following agricultural pursuits for a few years the father became interested in the leather industry and built a tannery in Boiceville. At the time his was one of the largest plants of the kind in this part of the state and in addition to operating the tannery he engaged in the lumber business. He did much to develop the village, which was named Boiceville in his honor. In 1865 he returned to Shokan, where he resumed the occupation of farming, and also continued in the lumber industry. In 1876 he took the contract for constructing the roadbed and erecting the arches and bridges on the railroad between Arkville and Delhi in Delaware county, New York, and was thorough and efficient in his work as a builder. He never slighted a task and his dependability, enterprise and honesty were potent elements in the attainment of his success. He conscientiously discharged the duties and obligations of citizenship and in 1858 was elected to the board of county supervisors, serving for one term. On the 14th of July, 1842, he was married in Olive township, Ulster county, to Mary Ann Brinck, who died in June, 1874, and his

second wife was Mary C. Hill, whom he wedded March 30, 1876. By his first marriage he became the father of eight children.

Zadoc P. Boice, the seventh in order of birth, was a lad of seven when the family removed from Boiceville to Shokan and in the schools of that locality he acquired his education. In 1878, when a young man of twenty, he embarked in the grocery business in partnership with D. W. Ennist, with whom he was associated for seven years, or until October 1, 1885, when he purchased his father's property, comprising business and real estate holdings in West Shokan, and wisely managed these interests. Astute and alert, he was quick to discern the possibilities and the opportunities of a business situation and equally prompt in making use of them but never took advantage of another in a commercial transaction. His advice and cooperation were also of value in financial matters and he was long a trustee of the Kingston Savings Bank, while he likewise served on the board of directors of the New York State National Bank of Kingston.

On the 6th of October, 1880, Mr. Boice was married to Miss Adelia Elmendorf, of Olive township, and they became the parents of two children. Helen Bertha, the elder, was born February 12, 1883, and was married June 7, 1907, to Joseph Henry Esser, who is corporation counsel for the city of Mount Vernon but makes his home in Mamaroneck, New York. Their family numbered three children, of whom Donald died in infancy. The daughter, Marion Augusta, born March 11, 1908, studied law for two years but now deals in fuel oil, owning and managing the enterprise, and although but twenty-two years of age, her ability and initiative have won for her a place of prominence in business circles of Mamaroneck. The second son, Boice Esser, was born February 23, 1916. Delta Ruth, the younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Boice, was born September 2, 1891, and on the 2d of June, 1923, became the wife of Clarence O. Fromer, and they have a son, Clarence Buddington, born May 29, 1924. Mr. Fromer was born in Tannersville, Greene county, New York, November 10, 1895, a son of Daniel Fromer, who was a native of the same county and who engaged in the hotel business for

many years. After completing his studies Clarence O. Fromer obtained work in a bank at Summit, New Jersey, there remaining until he entered the regular army for service in the World war. He enlisted at Butler, New Jersey, July 30, 1917, and was in training at Syracuse, New York, Allentown, Pennsylvania, and Charlotte, North Carolina. On the 19th of May, 1918, he sailed from Camp Merritt, New Jersey, and spent fifteen months in France. As an ambulance driver he was attached to Company Thirty-three of the Fourth Division, with which he participated in three major engagements, and after the armistice he spent eight months in Germany with the Army of Occupation. Mr. Fromer is now with the Mexican Petroleum Corporation, distributors of Pan-American gasoline and oil products. The sisters, Mrs. Esser and Mrs. Fromer, are Daughters of the American Revolution.

In Masonry, Mr. Boice had connection with Kingston Lodge, No. 10, F. & A. M., and he also belonged to Mountain Gate Lodge, No. 299, of the Knights of Pythias at West Shokan and to the Kingston Club. In the local councils of the republican party his opinions carried considerable weight and he figured prominently in politics as a member of the Ulster county central committee, with which he was identified for a number of years, representing the town of Olive. During 1893, 1894 and 1895 he was a member of the board of supervisors, making a creditable record. In 1906 he was the nominee of his party for sheriff of Ulster county and was elected by a handsome majority. In the discharge of his important duties he was conscientious, fearless and efficient, filling the office with honor to himself and to the county. He never wrought an injury to another and was quick to recognize and appreciate true worth. Sympathetic, genial and courteous, he won friends wherever he went and the years served to strengthen his hold upon their esteem. Death claimed him at his home at 61 Albany avenue, Kingston, when he was fifty-four years of age and at the height of his usefulness. Among the letters of condolence received by Mrs. Boice at the time of her husband's death was one from Judge A. T. Clearwater, his

lifelong friend. The trustees of the Kingston Savings Bank passed the following resolutions:

"Our late associate, Zadoc P. Boice, died Saturday, December 23, 1922. He had been a trustee of the Kingston Savings Bank for many years. We feel that his knowledge of the value of real property in this city and in the Esopus valley was second to that of no person connected with any financial institution in this country. He was regular in attendance at our meetings, active and zealous at all times in promoting the best interests of the bank. Of large, successful business experience himself, he brought and freely gave to this bank the benefit of that ripened, fruitful experience. A kindly, genial, cheerful man, of rare optimism and full of courage, and a true friend of all of us, we shall greatly miss him, his good humor, kindly greeting, gentleness and courtesy at our bank, on the street, and in his home and ours. So it is that this brief tribute to the memory of our late trustee, Zadoc P. Boice, is adopted by the trustees of the Kingston Savings Bank. Ordered entered in full on our minutes, a copy sent to his family, and published in our daily papers."

JAY TERRY

As brick manufacturers members of the Terry family have long enjoyed an enviable reputation and Jay Terry is now at the head of the pioneer institution, which was founded by his grandfather and carried forward by his father, serving as president of The Terry Brothers Company of Kingston. He was born in this city December 22, 1871, and is a son of Albert Terry, who was regarded as one of Kingston's most progressive business men. David Terry, the grandfather, was born in Vermont, January 23, 1797, and died in Kingston, December 15, 1868. His wife, Sara Rickey, was born December 25, 1801, in Harpersfield, New York, and died in Kingston, March 25, 1880. They were the parents of seven children, Emaline, William, Edwin, Harriet, Julia, Sara F. and Albert.

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Albert Terry was born in Delaware county, New York, September 11, 1833, and there pursued his education until twelve years of age, when he removed with his parents to Ulster county, arriving in 1845. He assisted his father on the farm and in the brickyard and after the death of David Terry his sons, Albert and Edwin, succeeded him in the manufacture of brick, operating under the style of Terry Brothers. The brickyard in which they began operations was a primitive place with an old-fashioned one-horse sweep, which was used to grind the clay, and the slow and tedious method of making brick by hand was abolished when they erected an extensive plant, equipped with all modern improvements. The business enjoyed a steady growth and in 1895 the annual output was twenty-two million bricks, which they shipped direct to New York city in their own barges, owning a fleet of six at that time. Edwin Terry resided in Brooklyn, New York, and personally looked after the sale of the brick. The Terry Brothers were noted for their enterprise and initiative and were the first brick manufacturers in Ulster county to introduce the burning of brick with anthracite coal, adopting this process in 1884.

Under the expert management of Albert Terry the business continued to expand, eventually becoming one of the largest enterprises of the kind in the country. He attained high standing as a brick manufacturer and was also interested in the Washburn Towing Line Company, and the Steep Rocks Ice Company for a number of years. The old Terry homestead was located at Steep Rocks, near one of the brickyards owned by the firm, and there the family lived until 1886, when a beautiful home was erected at the corner of Broadway and Orchard street in Kingston. This was a fortunate change of residence, for only four days after moving into the new dwelling there was a washout, and the old house with most of the buildings and brickyard slid into the Hudson river. This was caused by the removal of too much sand and gravel from the bank which weakened the foundation. Mr. Terry was a member of the Kingston Lodge of Masons and his political support was given to the republican party.

On the 15th of October, 1868, Mr. Terry was married to Miss Matilda Ostrander, a daughter of William and Ann Ostrander, of Kingston, and a member of an old and highly respected family of Ulster county. Mr. Ostrander's demise occurred in 1876 and his wife passed away November 21, 1896. There were six children in the family of Albert and Matilda (Ostrander) Terry, of whom two, Herbert and Clifford, died young, the others reaching adult ages as follows:

David Terry, the eldest, was born July 10, 1869, and in young manhood married Maria Louise Ellison, of Kingston. Enlisting for service in the Spanish-American war, he was assigned to Company M and rose to the rank of first lieutenant. He is secretary and treasurer of the Terry Brothers Company and a director of the Kingston Trust Company. In politics he is a republican and at one time was an alderman of Kingston. He belongs to the Kingston Club, the Twaalfskill Country Club and the Palenville Golf Club. In Masonry he has connection with Rondout Lodge, No. 343, F. & A. M.; Mount Horeb Chapter, R. A. M.; Rondout Commandery, K. T.; and Cyprus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Albany.

Jay Terry, the second son, was a pupil in the public schools and in Ulster Academy at Kingston, next attending the Albany Business College. Later he enrolled as a student in the Cornell Law School, from which he was graduated in 1893, but did not engage in practice, entering his father's business instead, and for thirty-eight years has concentrated his attention upon the manufacture of brick. The best efforts of his life have been given to the development of the business which was incorporated in 1902, and as its executive head he manifests the wisdom, foresight and administrative power which seldom fail of the desired results. In the work of Trinity Methodist Church he takes an active part and is one of its trustees. He cooperates in all well defined plans and projects for the growth and betterment of Kingston and his genuine worth has won for him a high place in the esteem of his fellow citizens, with whom his life has been spent.

On the 18th of September, 1901, Mr. Terry was married in Kingston to Miss Bertha Markle, a daughter of Alonzo and Elizabeth Markle, and two children were born to them. The son, Albert Terry II, was born in this city and is now with the Westchester Lighting Company. He married Miss Jeannette Lewis, of Kingston, and they make their home in Yonkers, New York. The daughter, Elizabeth Terry, is a graduate of the Rogers Hall School for Girls at Lowell, Massachusetts, and resides at home.

Cora M., the next of the children of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Terry, was born in 1874 and is the wife of Alva S. Staples, president of the Staples Brick Company, of Kingston, and they have two children, Mary Matilda and Terry.

Norma, the next child of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Terry, was born in 1877. She was married in Kingston to Alden J. Harcourt, who is now living in Mount Vernon, New York. Mrs. Harcourt has passed away, leaving two children: Dorothy, who was graduated from Wellesley College and is now Mrs. James Wells; and John, who was graduated from the Mount Vernon high school, afterward attending Cornell University at Ithaca, New York, and is now a student at Stanford University in Palo Alto, California.

FREDERICK STEPHAN, JR.

Throughout the period of its existence Frederick Stephan, Jr., has had charge of the legal interests of the Home-Seekers Cooperative Savings and Loan Association of Kingston and is a prominent attorney with a background of forty-five years' experience in the practice of law. He was born in Rondout, May 20, 1859, a son of Frederick Stephan, Sr., an Alsatian, who was born May 23, 1817. The father was reared in his native province and there served an apprenticeship in a bakery, also becoming familiar with the work of a miller. When a young man of twenty he sailed for America and was forty-two days in making the trip across the Atlantic. On the 11th of May, 1837, he arrived in New

York and five days later took passage on a Hudson river boat, which bore him to Kingston Point. The boat for Rondout was late and he, with others who journeyed there on foot, had to walk through water that was waist deep in the low places. When he reached Rondout he had only a dollar but at once secured a situation with George Briedenbecker, a baker, for whom he worked for a year, and was paid nine dollars per month. Afterward he followed his trade in New York city for a time and with his return to Rondout he became a baker for Captain C. Storms, continuing in his service for three and a half years and receiving a salary of fourteen dollars per month. After the death of the wife of his employer Mr. Stephan became the proprietor of the Storms Bakery, which he conducted successfully until 1850, when he sold out, and in association with John Derrenbacher engaged in the flour and feed business. His operations in that field covered a period of seventeen years and in 1867 he purchased the South Rondout Brewery, which was conducted under the firm name of F. Stephan & Co., continuing as its owner for ten years. At the end of that time he reentered the flour and feed business and admitted his son, Maurice A. Stephan, to a partnership. An enterprising, farsighted business man, the father prospered in all of his ventures and stood high in commercial circles of Kingston.

On the 2d of October, 1841, Frederick Stephan, Sr., was married to Magdalena Von Beck, who traced her ancestry back to the sixteenth century. She was a daughter of Major George F. and Mary (Kuntz) Von Beck, who settled in Ulster county in 1833. At the beginning of the Civil war Major Von Beck organized the Rondout Ragoons and outfitted and drilled this company, which was in active service until the close of the conflict. Ten children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Stephan: George F., now deceased; Theresa, now deceased, who was Mrs. John Weber, of Stoneham, Massachusetts; Mary, who married Jacob Derrenbacher, president of the Rondout Savings Bank, both of whom are now deceased; Elizabeth, the deceased wife of Morris Kopf, of Boston, Massachusetts, who has also departed this life; Charles

E., deceased; Antoinette, the widow of Archibald Winter, whose demise occurred in 1930; Magdalena, who is Mrs. Ambrose Barber, of Riverside, California; Frederick, Jr.; Maurice A., who is the proprietor of a store in Little Britain, Orange county, New York, and is serving as postmaster of the town; and John, who died at the age of three and a half years.

Mr. Stephan, Sr., gave his political support to the republican party and in 1865 was elected to the state legislature, occupying a seat in the house for one term. For three years he was a trustee of Rondout and in many ways he furthered the advancement of the village, which had a population of nine hundred when he located there. Its progress along educational lines was to him a matter of vital concern and for eighteen years he was one of the trustees of the old Ulster Academy, later serving on the building committee when the new academy was under construction. In 1845 he became a Mason, remaining a member of that fraternity during the balance of his life, and he was also identified with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows for many years. He was long a member of the board of trustees of Trinity Lutheran Church, to which his wife also belonged, and for a number of years she was president of the Ladies Aid Society. Her life was brought to a close April 22, 1895, when she was seventy-four years of age, and her husband passed away September 21, 1897.

Their son, Frederick Stephan, Jr., obtained his preliminary instruction in the public schools of Rondout and Ulster Academy and gained his first knowledge of legal principles while working in the office of Lawton & Stebbins, prominent attorneys of Kingston. Later he went to Boston, where he was employed as a bookkeeper for four years, and the money thus earned enabled him to meet the expense of a law course in Union University at Albany, where he won the degree of LL. B. in 1885. He was admitted to the bar and in May, 1886, entered upon the general practice of law at Rondout. He soon gave proof of his ability as an advocate and counselor and with the passing years his well developed powers and broad experience have won for him a large and remunera-

tive clientele. His name is also well known in business and financial circles, for he has been a member of the board of trustees of the Rondout Savings Bank for several years, and from the time of its inception has been attorney for the Home-Seekers Cooperative Savings and Loan Association. He is one of the charter members of the association, which was incorporated July 5, 1889, and reincorporated July 21, 1891. There were originally ten thousand shares of stock, held by eighteen stockholders. This is a Kingston corporation and makes loans in Ulster and adjoining counties, operating within a radius of one hundred miles. The association has assets of more than two million, two hundred thousand dollars and is one of the largest and strongest organizations of the kind in this part of the state.

On the 22d of February, 1888, Mr. Stephan was married to Miss Alice Vignes, a daughter of John and Ann Amelia Vignes and a member of one of the oldest families of Ulster county. Both Mr. and Mrs. Vignes have passed away. Their family numbered six children: Mary, deceased; Emma; Augustus, who has departed this life; Lottie, also deceased, who was the wife of Hezekiah Sherwood and the mother of two children, John and Charlotte; Minnie, the widow of B. Franklin Stevens; Fred, who died in 1930; and Alice. Mr. and Mrs. Stephan have a daughter, Helen, who is the wife of John B. Sterley. In June, 1918, he was graduated from the law school of Union University at Albany, New York, and is now practicing in Kingston. He is a director of the Cooperative Home-Seekers Savings and Loan Association and is serving on the Ulster county election board.

In 1895 Mr. Stephan was appointed counsel for the board of supervisors and in the same year he was elected justice of the peace on the republican ticket. He was a member of the board of supervisors for four years, district attorney for Ulster county for three years, and was the first judge of Kingston city court, serving for six years or two terms, creditably filling these offices. He belongs to the Kingston Club and in Masonry he has connection with Rondout Lodge, No. 343, F. & A. M., of which he was master in 1892; Mount Horeb Chapter, No. 75, R. A. M.;

Rondout Commandery, No. 52, K. T., and Cyprus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Albany. In religious faith Judge Stephan is a Lutheran and has been a trustee of the Church of the Redeemer at Rondout for a quarter of a century. He is a highly esteemed member of the Ulster County Bar Association and whatever he does is for the best interests of his clients and for the honor of his profession.

JAMES JOSEPH TOOMEY, M. D.

For six years Dr. James Joseph Toomey has practiced in Poughkeepsie, his native city, and has already gained prominence by reason of his ability as a surgeon and urologist. The father, James Joseph Toomey, Sr., was a native of Ulster county, New York, and of Irish parentage. In his youth he learned the blacksmith's trade, which he followed throughout life, conducting a shop in Poughkeepsie for many years and becoming widely known in that connection. He married Alfarata Schoonmaker, a native of Ulster county and of Dutch descent. The Schoonmakers settled in the Hudson River Valley during the colonial period in American history and the family was represented in the Continental Army during the Revolutionary war, while in subsequent generations those bearing the name have won prominence in many walks of life. Of the four children born to Mr. and Mrs. Toomey, three are living: James Joseph, Jr., Margaret; and Alfarata, who was a teacher in the local schools and became the wife of Thomas Purcell.

Dr. Toomey attended parochial and high schools of Poughkeepsie and in preparation for his chosen life work matriculated in Fordham University, which conferred upon him the M. D. degree in 1921. Afterward he became an interne of Misericordia Hospital in New York city and for two years was a member of the staff of St. Vincent's Hospital in that city. He then joined the staff of Bellevue Hospital in New York city and was connected with the institution for twenty months in the

capacity of resident physician, serving as a urologist. He remained with the hospital until 1925, when he returned to Poughkeepsie, and here he has since followed his profession, maintaining an office at 47 South Hamilton street. In the intervening period his practice has grown rapidly and he enjoys an enviable reputation as a surgeon and urologist. He is serving on the staffs of Vassar and St. Francis Hospitals and is frequently called in consultation.

Dr. Toomey was united in marriage to Miss Evelyn Frazier, by whom he has two sons, James and John. The Doctor is identified with the Knights of Columbus, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Lodge No. 275, the Amrita Club and the Fordham Alumni Association. He is a member of the New York State and County Medical societies. He enjoys the social side of life but never neglects his patients and through constant study and unremitting application has already won a gratifying measure of success in his particular field.

THOMAS J. P. CAWLEY

Thomas J. P. Cawley, who is rated as one of the most reputable attorneys of Albany, New York, is serving a large clientele in his profession, and specializes in corporation and insurance litigation, with offices at 75 State street.

Mr. Cawley is a native son of Albany, his birth having occurred November 20, 1890, a son of the late Thomas and Catherine M. (McLaughlin) Cawley. The Cawleys are of Irish descent. The great-grandparents of the immediate subject of this biography were Patrick and Mary (Mullaney) Cawley, who spent their lives in Ireland, where the former was a fisherman. Next in the direct line was their son, also named Patrick, who was born in County Sligo, Ireland, in 1827. In his early life he was a gaelic football player and a swimmer of note. His life's work was farming, and he married Mary Sheridan of County Mayo, Ireland. He died in October, 1921, and his wife died in



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County Sligo in 1918, when she was eighty-nine years of age. Their son, Thomas Cawley, the father of Thomas J. P. Cawley, was born in the parish of Kilglass, County Sligo, Ireland, October 16, 1851. In later years, he came to the United States, and from 1895 to 1925 was connected with the freight traffic department of the New York Central Railroad in Albany. Prior to 1895, he was a maltster, and was employed by the McCready Malt House in Albany. He was prominent in democratic politics, and was a committeeman in the old seventh ward. He was a member of St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's Roman Catholic churches, from which latter church he was buried after his death, in Albany, November 27, 1929. His wife, Catherine M. (McLaughlin) Cawley, was born near Boyle, County Roscommon, Ireland, April 30, 1854, a daughter of Luke and Mary Ellen (Corcoran) McLaughlin. Luke McLaughlin was born in Ireland, a son of James and Catherine (McLaughlin) McLaughlin, and was a farmer by occupation. He died in Ireland in 1888, when he was seventy-six years of age. His wife was also born in County Roscommon, and there died in 1895, when she was seventy-two years old. Mrs. Cawley received her education in Ireland, and there taught school when a young woman. She died in Albany, New York, March 24, 1928.

Thomas J. P. Cawley graduated from St. Joseph's Academy in Albany June 22, 1906, then attended Niagara University for a short time. He became associated with the wholesale jewelry firm of Mendel & Levitz as bookkeeper and stenographer, and here remained for nine months, his salary having been seven dollars per week, with an added incentive in a fifty cent raise each week. He next became secretary to Samuel G. Chase, New York Central Railroad agent in West Albany, and remained until January 2, 1910, when he resigned. Next he engaged in stenographic work with the American Express Company, under D. D. Ritson; was later claim agent, and was then transferred to the position of secretary to John L. Van Valkenburg, superintendent of the American Express Company. In this capacity, he remained until April, 1913, then resigned, and became stenog-

rapher for Patrick C. Dugan, attorney for the United Traction Company. He was later appointed assistant claim agent of this same company. In April, 1916, upon the advice of Mr. Dugan, he filled a law student's clerkship with Townsend K. Wellington, attorney for the United Traction Company and successor of Mr. Dugan. Here he had the advantage of being able to study law under Mr. Wellington's skillful guidance until September 19, 1916, on which date he entered the Albany Law School. He pursued his legal studies in this institution until 1918, and finished his junior year. In April, 1917, while attending this school, he became "hearing stenographer" in the New York State National Guard, with headquarters in Albany. This position was abolished June 30, 1917. In July, 1917, Mr. Cawley became secretary to H. B. Weatherwax, vice president of the subsidiary lines of the Delaware & Hudson Railroad, and at the same time was secretary to Axel Eckstrom, consulting electrical engineer for the same company. He continued there until September, 1918, at which time he left the Albany Law School. He then became affiliated in the law office of Peter A. Hart in Albany, and here served his clerkship, completing his four years of law study. He was admitted to the bar of New York state September 11, 1919, and practiced alone at 86 State street until January 1, 1922, then became a partner of Charles J. Duncan, who is now assistant corporation counsel for the city of Albany. The firm of Cawley & Duncan existed until November 30, 1925, when it was dissolved. Mr. Cawley kept his office at the same location until 1928, then moved to his present address, 75 State street. As noted in a preceding paragraph, he is specializing in corporation and insurance law, and has made notable progress in the practice, an accomplishment all the more noteworthy since his competitors in Albany form one of the most brilliant and efficient groups of attorneys in New York state. He is a member of the Albany County Bar Association and the New York State Bar Association, and is counsel for a number of corporations. He has been admitted to practice in Federal courts in northern and southern districts of New York. He holds a diploma issued by

the state department of education, known as a state stenographers certificate. For many years, Mr. Cawley was recognized as one of the most talented stenographers available, and he was one of the first touch system operators in Albany. He is now assisting in editing a form book to be used in conjunction with the book, Huddy on Automobiles, for the Matthew Bender Company, Inc., a law book publishing house of Albany. During the World war Mr. Cawley was a member of the New York state National Guard, Company B, and was discharged in October, 1918.

In Albany on the 2d of July, 1917, Mr. Cawley was united in marriage to Josephine C. Mulcahy, a daughter of Thomas J. and Mary (Hilliard) Mulcahy of this city. Mr. Mulcahy is assistant superintendent of the Memorial Hospital, and was formerly divisional superintendent for the United Traction Company. Mrs. Cawley graduated from St. Joseph's Academy in the year 1910. She is a member of St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church; the Catholic Daughters of America; the National Council of Catholic Women; and is a trustee of St. Joseph's Alumnae. Mr. and Mrs. Cawley have two children. Mary Marjorie Wilhelmina Cawley was born March 31, 1918, on Easter Sunday, and has the unique distinction of having been the first baby born in Albany under daylight saving time. She is now attending the Academy of Holy Names. Thomas J. P. Cawley, Jr., the second child, was born August 4, 1919, and is now a student at St. Patrick's parochial school. The family residence is situated at 35 Wilkins avenue in Albany.

Mr. Cawley is a devout communicant in St. Patrick's parish of the Roman Catholic Church. He has been a warm supporter of the democratic party in political affairs. He belongs to Albany Council, No. 74, Knights of Columbus, and is a member of the fourth degree color guard of this organization; to Albany Lodge, No. 49, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks; the Gamma Eta Gamma collegiate fraternity; the alumni associations of St. Joseph's and the Christian Brothers academies; the Albany Law School Alumni Association; the Albany Club; and the Watervliet

Fish & Game Club. Fishing, hunting, and motor boating have been his favorite recreations. While in St. Joseph's Academy Mr. Cawley was a member of the baseball team and outside of himself and Father Fitzgerald of Rensselaer, every one of them became professional ball players. Such men as Melvin Wolfgang, of the Boston Braves, Jas. J. Esmond, of the Cincinnati Reds, Edward McHale, of Syracuse, Jas. J. Donohue, and Edward Burke, of Albany in the eastern league were on the team. In civic affairs of Albany, Mr. Cawley has been an interested participant, and has created for himself a large circle of friends by his pleasing and democratic personality, his straightforward relationship with his fellow citizens, and his modern viewpoint of life.

HERBERT J. FEEHAN

Among the large corporations that feature in the business life of Albany is numbered the United States Abstract & Surety Company, Inc., of which Herbert J. Feehan is the secretary and treasurer. He was born in Willard, Seneca county, New York, on Christmas day of 1878, a son of Patrick J. Feehan, who came to this country from Ireland. The father was associated with the State Hospital for forty-three years and in 1917 was called to his final rest. The mother, Elizabeth (McGarvey) Feehan, was a Canadian, born in Kingston, Ontario, and passed away in 1910.

Reared in his native town, Herbert J. Feehan acquired a high school education and in 1904, when twenty-six years of age, entered public life as the successful candidate for county clerk of Seneca county, to which office he was reelected in 1907 and 1910. In 1914 he embarked in business as a dealer in real estate and insurance. A year later he entered the attorney general's office in Albany and there remained until January 10, 1925, when he resigned, to become secretary and treasurer of the United States Abstract & Surety Company. Its business

embraces title insurance, abstract title examinations, etc. Its principal office was changed from Troy to Albany in 1924, and located at 69 Chapel street, and moved in January, 1926, when it purchased its present building, to 53 Lodge street, and since that time the business has enjoyed a steady and sound growth. It specializes in the examination of title to water power development, forest and mining lands, as well as in a general title business which covers the state. For six years Mr. Feehan has been associated with this corporation, which has profited by his keen powers of discernment, his business sagacity and executive force.

Mr. Feehan was married at Ovid, New York, September 9, 1908, to Miss Elizabeth Hanratty, a daughter of James and Anna (Mackin) Hanratty, who were natives of Ireland. The former died in 1919 and the latter in 1906. Mrs. Feehan passed away February 2, 1920, leaving one child, William Herbert, who was born August 9, 1919.

Mr. Feehan is a communicant of the Roman Catholic Church and in politics he is a republican. His fraternal affiliations are with the Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. During the World war he served on local committees and was active in the various campaigns promulgated by the government at that time. Although never an office seeker, he has conscientiously fulfilled the duties and obligations of citizenship, while in business affairs he has always been actuated by a progressive spirit and worthy motives, and measures up to high standards in every relation of life.

FRANCIS KALEY

Francis Kaley, cashier of the First National Bank of Milton—an office he has occupied for six years—is well known in this community, for he has always resided here. He was born August 4, 1898, and is a son of Joseph J. Kaley, one of the representative business men of Ulster county. The grandfather, Michael Kaley, a native of Ireland, crossed the Atlantic when a young man and

was the first of the family to come to the United States. He settled in Ulster county and made agricultural pursuits his life work.

Joseph J. Kaley was born on the home farm near Milton, now owned and cultivated by his brother, Edward Kaley. At an early age Joseph J. Kaley entered the employ of Henry Townsend, who was the proprietor of a general store on the dock, and worked for him some time, later engaging in the commission business in New York city with his brother, under the name of Kaley Brothers. Subsequently he returned to Milton and in 1890 purchased the Townsend store, where he is still engaged in merchandising, and in years of continuous activity is one of the oldest business men of this locality. He has a general store and carries a large and carefully selected stock of goods. His prices are reasonable and his enterprise, courtesy and reliability have won for him a liberal patronage. A leader in movements for the development of his district, he was one of the organizers of Milton's only bank, the First National, which was opened for business in March, 1920, with R. M. Rownd as president and Joseph J. Kaley as vice president, and it is one of the substantial moneyed institutions of this part of the county.

Mr. Kaley was married in Milton to Miss Ellen E. Donovan, a native of the village and a daughter of Dennis D. and Bridget Donovan, who are now deceased. To Mr. and Mrs. Kaley were born four children, all of whom are natives of Milton. The eldest, Arthur E., was admitted to the bar in 1922 and is now associated with the law firm of Eagan & Johnson. Formerly he served as justice of the peace at Milton. In December, 1930, he married Miss Eleanor E. McManus, of Milton, and they reside in Newburgh, Orange county. The daughter, Elizabeth E. Kaley, was graduated from the high school at Newburgh, afterward attending the New Paltz Normal School, and is now engaged in teaching at Milton. The other members of the family are: Joseph J., Jr., a pupil in the Newburgh high school; and Francis.

The last named obtained his elementary education in Milton and completed his high school course at Newburgh in 1917. Im-

mediately after graduation he entered his father's store and assisted in the conduct of the business until 1925, when he became cashier of the First National Bank of Milton. He is still serving in that capacity and faithfully and capably discharges his important duties, exerting every effort to safeguard the funds of the bank and promote its interests. He belongs to the City Club of Newburgh and is a member of the Milton Home Guard. Fraternally he has connection with Newburgh Council of the Knights of Columbus and with Newburgh Lodge, No. 247, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. A dependable young man of serious purpose, Mr. Kaley has made efficiency his watchword and his strength of character and genuine worth are well known to his fellow townsmen, who speak of him in terms of high regard.

WILLIAM A. MULVEY

Among the prominent members of the legal fraternity of Poughkeepsie is numbered William A. Mulvey, who has established an enviable reputation as a trial lawyer. He was born in this city December 31, 1887, and is a son of John and Catherine (Gilmartin) Mulvey, who were also natives of Poughkeepsie. His grandparents, Felix and Catherine (Bennett) Mulvey, emigrated from Ireland to the United States and established their home in Poughkeepsie, where they lived for many years. The maternal grandparents, Michael and Catherine (Hopkins) Gilmartin, were also born on the Emerald isle and cast their lot with the early settlers of Dutchess county, New York. By her marriage to John Mulvey their daughter Catherine became the mother of five children: William A., John M., Catherine Carroll, Minnie Kelly and Edward J.

After mastering the branches of learning taught in the grammar and high schools of Poughkeepsie, William A. Mulvey took up the study of law in the office of Hackett, Williams & Butts and through close application he acquired a clear under-

standing of the principles of jurisprudence. Admitted to the bar in 1909, he served his legal clerkship in the office of District Attorney John E. Mack, now a justice of the supreme court, and afterward received the appointment of assistant district attorney. This office he acceptably filled until 1916, when he entered upon general practice, and was thus engaged until his enlistment for service in the World war. His assignment was with the heavy artillery and he was stationed at Fort Adams, Rhode Island, and at Fortress Monroe, Virginia. When mustered out he resumed his legal work in Poughkeepsie and now has a large and remunerative practice. As a trial lawyer he is particularly well known, for he excels in this branch of the profession. He marshals his evidence with military precision and skill and wins a large percentage of his cases.

Fraternally Mr. Mulvey has connection with the Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He has a life membership in the volunteer fire department of Poughkeepsie and lends the weight of his support to all movements and projects destined to prove of benefit to his city, whose growth and progress are to him matters of vital concern. He is president of the local Kiwanis Club and also belongs to the Poughkeepsie Yacht Club, the Dutchess County Golf & Country Club, the American Legion and the Dutchess County Bar Association. His intellectual powers, combined with his close application and unfaltering purpose, have carried him steadily forward in his profession and his fellow practitioners and the general public accord him a place of prominence in legal circles of Poughkeepsie.

HON. FREDERICK GEDNEY TRAVER

Hon. Frederick Gedney Traver, judge of the county court, has previously won prestige as district attorney and has long been numbered among the outstanding members of the Ulster county bar. He was born in Marlboro, Ulster county, January 28, 1874, a son of the Rev. V. N. Traver, who was born in 1838.



HON. FREDERICK G. TRAVER

Entering the ministry of the Methodist Church, the father filled pastorates in various cities of New York and Massachusetts and at his death in 1926, at the age of eighty-eight years, he was one of the oldest clergymen in the Empire state in years of continuous service. Of firm faith and sound doctrine, he preached the Word with eloquence and power and influenced many to choose the higher path in life. He married Ella M. Caine and they had two children: Nellie, who became the wife of Martin J. De Witt, now superintendent of the Borden farm near Wallkill, in Ulster county; and Frederick Gedney.

Judge Traver attended the public schools and took a preparatory course in the Hudson River Institute and then entered Syracuse University, from which he received the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1896. He afterward studied law in the office of Hon. Charles F. Cantine, who served as district attorney of Ulster county and later was elevated to the bench. Judge Traver has practiced law in Kingston since his admission to the bar in 1900. His first work in connection with public affairs was as a clerk in the district attorney's office, after which he became assistant district attorney, and in 1915 Governor Charles S. Whitman appointed him district attorney to fill out the unexpired term of William D. Cunningham. In the fall of 1916, Mr. Traver was the popular choice for that office, to which he was reelected in 1919, in 1922, in 1925 without opposition, and again in 1928. He resigned in the fall of 1930 to become a candidate for the office of county judge, to which he was elected by a handsome majority, taking office January 1, 1931, for a six-year term.

On the 19th of June, 1909, Judge Traver was married to Miss Mabel Anderson, a daughter of George W. and Julia E. Anderson. A well known contractor, Mr. Anderson was prominently identified with building operations in Ulster and Greene counties for many years but is now living retired in Kingston.

Judge Traver belongs to the Kingston Club, the Mendelssohn Club, the Kiwanis Club, the Psi Upsilon fraternity, at Syracuse University, the New York State Bar Association and Ulster County Bar Association. He is a broad-minded man, looking at

significant questions from a rational standpoint and reaching his conclusions after hard and logical thinking. He has never courted popularity, caring more for the approval of his own conscience than the applause of the majority, and exemplifies in his conduct the lofty ideals of an ancient and noble calling.

JOSEPH J. MORGAN

As principal and head of the Moran Business School, Kingston, New York, Joseph J. Morgan is successfully carrying forward the work instituted by his uncle, John J. Moran, with whom he was associated for many years, and represents a family that has made notable contribution to Kingston's advancement along educational lines.

Assisting Mr. Morgan in the conduct of the school are his two sisters, Catharine M. Morgan, associate principal, and Helen L. Morgan, secretary. Prior to 1918, another sister, Alice M. Morgan, was actively identified with the school, but because of ill health she was forced to retire. Under the careful tutelage of John J. Moran, their uncle, Mr. Morgan and his sisters early in life mastered the work in the various departments of business school management and control. Before entering upon teaching careers, however, all four devoted several years to the acquiring of practical business experience. In 1910 Mr. Morgan entered the employ of the New York Central Railroad Company where he was engaged in secretarial and accounting capacities. On the establishment of the Moran Business School in 1914, Mr. Morgan became secretary of this institution. He continued his connection with the New York Central, however, until January 1, 1917, and since that date has devoted all his time and energies to the development of the Moran School. The present management has had the advantage of affiliation with the school since its inception.

The establishment of the Moran Business School in 1914 was the last in a series of worth-while accomplishments achieved by

its founder, the late John J. Moran, who was born in Kingston, August 15, 1855, and passed away July 10, 1920. For almost half a century he was prominent in the educational development of Ulster county. During half of this period he was associated with the public school system in a major capacity, devoting the later years of his life, with conspicuous success to the cause of business education. Mr. Moran was educated at St. Vincent's College, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, which institution conferred on him the degree of Master of Accounts. In 1876 he accepted the principalship of Public School, No. 1, in the city of Kingston, with which school he was connected for three and one-half years. In July, 1881, he became principal of Public School, No. 15, thus continuing until January 1, 1888, when he was elected school commissioner. He brought to the office exceptional qualifications, and during twelve years of conscientious service in that capacity he materially increased the efficiency of the public schools of Kingston and Ulster county. In 1903 he was made president of Spencer's Business School of Kingston, of which he had become part owner, and thus continued until 1911 when he sold his interest in the school. After months of inactivity, Professor Moran resumed his professional work, which he limited to the instruction of a few pupils in his home at 121 Pearl street. As soon as this became known, others insisted upon private tutoring in the business branches, and, in December, 1914, Professor Moran was forced to rent offices at 288 Wall street, and announced his intention to conduct a school under the name of the Moran Business School. He engaged as assistant, Miss L. M. Doty, now deceased, whose reputation as a teacher of shorthand was widely known. It would seem that Professor Moran underestimated the progress which his school was destined to make, in that the initial quarters on Wall street proved entirely inadequate to meet the demands of a rapidly increasing attendance. It was necessary, therefore, to seek more commodious quarters. On May 1, 1915, more spacious accommodations were provided in the Burgevin building, which location has more than exceeded expectation on account of the perfect adaptability of this building to business school requirements.

To serve those who aspire to the higher places in the world of business and finance—to train them efficiently for and to place them in dignified, wholesome, inspiring office positions—such is the mission of the Moran Business School. Under the progressive management of Joseph J. Morgan this institution has continued to gain steadily in strength and prestige. It was inevitable that, as proved by the test of time, the principles so vigorously championed by its founder should make a lasting impression, with the result that each succeeding year witnesses an extension of the scope of the school's service. It is the constant purpose of the management to keep the high standard maintained from the beginning—to make the school a living, enduring tribute to the memory of its founder, John J. Moran, whose name symbolizes ideals of education and morality of the highest order. Thoroughness is the keynote of Moran training. The school, with its highly concentrated courses, offers the shortest avenue of approach to the field of business. Here the student specializes in business training—works in an atmosphere of business from the day he enters until he is graduated. The Moran School enables him to sell and resell this practical knowledge at ever-increasing profits by placing him in worthwhile positions.

Many hundreds of successful men and women, representing practically every business and profession, owe a large measure of their success to the inspiring and conscientious assistance rendered by the faculty of this school.

Joseph J., Catharine M., Helen L., and Alice M. Morgan, were born in Kingston, in which city they still make their home. Their father, Peter Morgan, a retired plumbing contractor, was born in Poughkeepsie, New York, September 19, 1855. On the 25th of April, 1888, he married Teresa Moran, who was born in Kingston, on March 23, 1862, a daughter of Hugh and Catharine (Smith) Moran, and a sister of John J. Moran. She died on May 29, 1931. Her father, Hugh Moran, came to this country from Athlone, County Roscommon, Ireland, and became one of the pioneer merchants of Kingston, conducting a general store in

the then thriving Wilbur district. The maternal grandparents of Teresa Moran were Edward Smith and Mary Hanley Smith, who were born in Athlone, County Roscommon, Ireland. Early in the nineteenth century they settled in Kingston and acquired a large tract of land on Wilbur avenue. Edward Smith for a number of years conducted a cooperage business in which he was highly successful. A man of fine character and gentlemanly bearing, he was an outstanding and respected member of the community.

Fraternally, Mr. Morgan is a member of the Kingston Rotary Club, of the Knights of Columbus, and of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a member of the Chamber of Commerce and for several years has also been identified with the Eastern Commercial Teachers Association and the Boy Scouts of America. Like Professor Moran, he has endeavored to make his efforts a vital force for civic progress and betterment, worthily sustaining the traditions of the family.

EDMUND W. CARPENTER

The First National Bank of Marlboro is fortunate in having as its officers men of experience, ability and high standing and in this classification belongs Edmund W. Carpenter, who has been cashier of the institution for a period of thirteen years. He is a native of the town and represents its oldest family. In an old burying ground at Lattingtown may be seen a tombstone bearing the following inscription: "In memory of Joseph Carpenter, first settler of this place and planter of this orchard. Departed this life July 11, 1766." According to the records of the family Joseph Carpenter was the founder of Marlboro in 1753. With his wife, Sarah Carpenter, he came to Ulster county from Glen Cove, Long Island, and located in Lattingtown, near Marlboro.

James S. Carpenter, the father of Edmund W. Carpenter, was one of the representative business men of Marlboro. He succeeded his father in the ownership of a grocery store, which

was continuously conducted by members of the family for more than a half century. While engaged in merchandising James S. Carpenter became active in development work, erecting a block of buildings, and was one of the largest real estate owners in this locality. In 1894 he sold the grocery business which his father had founded many years ago and the First National Bank now occupies this site. With his retirement from business Mr. Carpenter purchased a tract of land in the outskirts of Marlboro and devoted the remainder of his life to the cultivation and improvement of the place, which was known as the Pine Tree Fruit Farm. He married Miss Rachel E. Worden, who survived him until March, 1931. Mrs. Carpenter's father, David Worden, was a mechanical engineer and at the time of his death was in charge of the Kemball Furnaces at Riddiesburg, Pennsylvania. He stood high in his profession and earlier in life had installed the machinery in what later became the historic Merrimac. To Mr. and Mrs. James S. Carpenter were born three children. The elder daughter, Margaret Demorest, became the wife of Kirtley B. Lewis, a fruit grower residing at Red Hook, New York, and they have two sons, John David and James. Helen, the second daughter, was graduated from the New Paltz Normal School, after which she taught for four years in Marlboro, and is now secretary at the high school in Summit, New Jersey.

The son, Edmund W. Carpenter, attended the public schools of Marlboro and before completing his education obtained a situation in a drug store, where he worked for a year. Entering the employ of the First National Bank in 1912, he diligently applied himself to the tasks assigned him and steadily advanced through the various departments. Since 1918 he has occupied the office of cashier and through the capable discharge of his duties has contributed materially toward the stability and success of the bank. It was established in 1907 and J. F. Wygant, the first president, is still serving in that capacity. W. J. Haviland and J. A. Hepworth are vice presidents and Edmund W. Carpenter is the cashier. This is one of the newest and most modern banks in Ulster county and the steady growth of the institution attests

the sagacity and foresight of its officers and the quality of service rendered to patrons of the bank.

On the 19th of September, 1928, Mr. Carpenter was married to Miss Dorothy Beeres, a daughter of Louis Beeres, of Kingston, New York. In the religious life of his community Mr. Carpenter is an influential factor as an earnest, helpful member of the Presbyterian Church and for some time has been one of its elders. His fraternal affiliations are with Marlboro Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and Adonai Lodge, No. 718, of the Masonic order at Highland, New York. Conscientious and dependable, he has been faithful to every relation in life and loyal to every trust reposed in him and has won a high place in the esteem of his fellowmen.

WERNER H. PIGORS

Well equipped for the work of his profession, Werner H. Pigors is practicing successfully in Albany, his native city, and has his office at 90 State street. He was born September 24, 1904, and is a son of Werner J. and Rosine (Klopfer) Pigors, natives of Germany. The father sailed for the United States in 1884, settling in Albany, where he became well known as a cabinetmaker, and both he and the mother still make their home in this city.

Werner H. Pigors completed his high school course in 1922, when seventeen years of age, and was valedictorian of his class. In the fall of 1922 he enrolled as a student in the Albany Law School, from which he was graduated in 1925, and in the following year was admitted to the New York bar. Entering the law office of John Boyd Thacher (II), the present mayor of Albany, Mr. Pigors remained with him for two years and then entered the profession independently. Well versed in the principles of jurisprudence, he accurately applies his knowledge to the points in litigation and has already become well established as a general practitioner.

On the 7th of September, 1929, Mr. Pigors was married in Albany to Miss Florence E. York, who was also born in this city. She is a daughter of Henry and Freda (Walter) York, the latter likewise a native of Albany. Mr. York came to this country from England and is engaged in business in Albany, where he has long figured prominently as a painting contractor. The residence of Mr. and Mrs. Pigors is at 42 Hawthorne avenue, Albany. Mr. Pigors has membership in St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church and is a republican in his political views. He is a past president of the Philodoxia Literary Society of the Albany high school and also of the Philodoxia Alumni Association. While attending law school he joined the Gamma Eta Gamma fraternity and he likewise belongs to the legal Society of Justinian, an organization of honor students of Albany and Syracuse. To his law practice he gives his undivided attention and has the mental alertness, the keen powers of perception and the capacity for sustained effort so essential to progress in this exacting profession.

CLEON BOICE MURRAY

Cleon Boice Murray, district attorney, and one of the able members of the Ulster county bar, assumed his office on the 1st of January, 1931. Born at Proctor, Pennsylvania, June 25, 1890, he is a son of Dayton Murray, who served as city clerk of Kingston and is now secretary of the Rondout Savings Bank. The Murray family is of Scotch origin. Crossing the Atlantic, representatives of the name established their homes in Vermont, in New Jersey and in Herkimer county, New York, prior to the Revolutionary war and members of the family participated in the struggle for American independence as soldiers in the Continental Army. The mother of Cleon Boice Murray was Almira Boice, a daughter of Peter and Ruhamah J. (Weeks) Boice, of Kingston, and a graduate of Whitestone Seminary. Mrs. Murray died November 14, 1922.

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CLEON B. MURRAY

Mr. Murray obtained his elementary instruction in School No. 4 in Ponckhockie, Ulster county, and next attended Kingston Academy, from which he was graduated in 1908. His higher education was acquired in Cornell University, which conferred upon him the degree of LL. B. in 1913. While a student there he was president of the law school association in his senior year, also taking part in athletic sports, and was a member of the Cornell junior 'varsity crew that won the world's record at the American Henley. For a time he was associated with the firm of Cunningham & Traver in their law offices at Ellenville and Kingston and upon his admission to the bar in 1915 he engaged in general practice at Ellenville, where he still maintains his law office. He served for one term as police justice of Ellenville, tendering his resignation at that time, and since 1917 has been corporation counsel for the village. Mr. Murray is also local attorney for the New York Telephone Company and the Standard Oil Company of New York. In 1922 he was appointed assistant district attorney and filled the office until he became district attorney.

On the 12th of October, 1926, Mr. Murray was married in Ellenville to Miss Katharine R. Houghton, a daughter of Joseph T. and Anita (Raphael) Houghton. Her father, a prominent chemist, was with the Standard Oil Company for many years and died March 6, 1927. Mr. and Mrs. Murray have two children, Cleon Boice, Jr., born June 20, 1928, and Joan, born June 17, 1931.

Mr. Murray belongs to the Shawangunk Country Club of Ellenville and the Cornell Club of New York city. In Masonic circles he is well known as a past master of Wawarsing Lodge, No. 582, F. & A. M.; a past high priest of Wawarsing Chapter, No. 246, R. A. M.; and a member of Rondout Commandery, No. 52, K. T.; Albany Sovereign Consistory, A. A. S. R.; and Cyprus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., at Albany. He also has fraternal connections with Wawarsing Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star and Kingston Lodge, No. 550, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. For a number of years he has

taken a keen interest in the affairs of the Ulster County Society, the Scoresby Hose & Hook & Ladder Company of Ellenville, the Cordts Hose Company of Kingston and the Ulster County Farm Bureau, belonging to all of these organizations. He is also a member of the Ulster County Bar Association and upholds the high standards of his profession.

EDWARD M. BURNS, M. D.

The medical fraternity of Poughkeepsie is ably represented by Dr. Edward M. Burns, a well known physician and surgeon, who has here practiced continuously for thirty-five years. He was born in Stanfordville, Dutchess county, May 19, 1873, a son of Michael Burns, who was a native of Drogheda, Ireland, and came to the United States with his brothers, Peter and Henry. The father of Dr. Burns was a blacksmith and operated his own forge at Rhinebeck, New York, while he also followed the occupation of farming. He married Miss Anna Perl, a native of County Meath, Ireland, and nine children were born to them: Henry, Stephen, John, Edward M., Peter, Thomas, Margaret, and Mary and Catherine, who became school teachers.

Dr. Burns was a pupil in the Seymour Smith Academy at Pine Plains, New York, and next attended the Sackett Seminary. His advanced studies were pursued in Cornell University, which awarded him the B. S. degree in 1893, after which he entered Columbia University, graduating therefrom with the M. D. degree. In 1896 he opened an office in Poughkeepsie, where he has since engaged in general practice. With the passing years his professional prestige has steadily increased, due to his ability and skill, and his services as a physician and surgeon are in constant demand. He is serving on the staff of St. Francis Hospital and has membership in the Dutchess-Putnam Medical Society, the New York Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

Dr. Burns was united in marriage to Miss Eleanor Quintero, a daughter of William and Ellen (Clear) Quintero. The Doctor

is a member of the University and other clubs and takes part in all civic activities. However, his practice is never neglected, for he is devoted to his patients, and his keen sense of duty and honor, combined with his genial, kindly nature, have established him high in public regard.

MYRON JAY MICHAEL

Educational interests of Kingston are ably represented by Myron Jay Michael, who has served as superintendent of the public schools since 1910, and is known throughout the state by reason of his professional attainments and achievements. He was born in Lassellville, Fulton county, New York, April 16, 1851, a son of Abram and Marilda (Peck) Michael. His great-grandfather in the paternal line was Andrew Michael, a Bavarian, whose province was at one time a French possession, later passing into the hands of the Germans. Andrew Michael, the son of a lawyer, came to America with General Lafayette and valiantly defended the cause of the colonists under General Washington. He was a musician and served in the regimental band. After the Revolutionary war he married a German girl named Helmer, establishing his home near St. Johnsville, New York, and died in 1831 at the age of eighty-one years. His children were: Jacob; Daniel, who was a minister of the Dutch Reformed Church; John, who died at the age of twenty years; and Mrs. Mary Kring, the wife of a Fulton county farmer. Jacob Michael, the grandfather of Dr. Michael of this review, lived in the town of Oppenheim, New York, and engaged in agricultural pursuits. His son, Abram Michael, was born on the homestead in Fulton county and also followed the occupation of farming. He married Marilda Peck and passed away in 1885.

They were the parents of Myron J. Michael, who is the only representative of the family in Ulster county. His early training was acquired in a district school and at the age of sixteen he entered the Clinton Liberal Institute at Clinton, New York,

graduating with the class of 1871. Later he was a student at Tufts College, a Massachusetts institution, from which he received the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1875. His alma mater has also conferred upon him the degrees of Master of Arts and Doctor of Pedagogy, the latter in 1923. Immediately after his graduation from college, Dr. Michael entered upon an active and very successful career as teacher. From 1875 to 1876 he was principal of the school at Esperance, Schoharie county; from 1876 to 1881 principal of the Union school at Palatine Bridge, Montgomery county; from 1881 to 1885 principal of the Union school at Chatham, Columbia county, where he organized the public school system; from 1885 to 1893 superintendent of schools at Rome, Oneida county; from 1893 to 1895 president of the faculty of his own old school, Clinton Liberal Institute, which had been removed from Clinton, Oneida county, to Fort Plain, Montgomery county; from 1895 to 1910 principal of the Kingston Academy of Kingston, New York, founded in 1774. In the last named position he served five years longer than any of his predecessors, and in 1915 the academy was closed. For over two decades he has been superintendent of the Kingston public schools, which have made notable progress under his direction. A contemporary biographer said: "In these various positions as a teacher and educational administrator, Dr. Michael has gained not only a wealth of experience, but also a very high standing amongst the teaching profession of his section of New York state." In movements for cultural advancement he has been the leading spirit and it was through his initiative and his untiring efforts that Kingston secured its fine public library. He has served as a trustee and secretary of the board and for many years past has been president of the board of trustees of the Kingston City Library, which he has made a civic institution in which Kingston takes justifiable pride. He is also president of the board of trustees of the School of Religious Education conducted by the Young Men's Christian Association of Kingston.

On the 28th of July, 1875, at Burtonville, Montgomery county, New York, Dr. Michael was married to Miss Hattie

Newell Burton, who passed away February 26, 1925. She was a daughter of the late Alonzo and Margaret (Whipple) Burton, the former a farmer in Wisconsin to the time of his death, which resulted from illness while he was engaged in active military service during the Civil war. Dr. and Mrs. Michael were the parents of two sons, the elder being Herbert L., who was born in September, 1883, and was graduated from both Kingston Academy and Tufts College, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts from the latter institution. He is now senior assistant engineer in charge of maintenance and repair of all highways in District No. 4 of the New York State Highway Department. He married Miss Marion Markle, of Kingston, and they make their home in Rochester, New York. William Whipple Michael, the younger son of Dr. and Mrs. Michael, was named for one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence from whom he is descended in the maternal line. He was born in July, 1885, and is also a graduate of Kingston Academy and Tufts College. Following the example of his father, he has qualified as an instructor and is now associate professor in civil engineering at the California Institute of Technology in Pasadena. He married Miss Helen Schultz, of Kingston, and they have one child, William Burton.

In politics Dr. Michael has always been a staunch supporter of the republican party and its principles but has neither sought nor desired the honors and emoluments of public office. During the World war period he was active in behalf of the Red Cross and also served on the local Liberty Loan committees. He takes a prominent part in the affairs of the Kingston Rotary Club, of which he served as president for one year, and is also a member of the Kingston Chamber of Commerce and the Schoolmen's Club of Kingston. Always interested in agriculture, he is a member of Lake Katrine Grange, Pomona Grange and the New York State Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry. His religious faith is indicated by his membership in the First Dutch Reformed Church of Kingston, of which he is an elder and in the work of which he takes an active and helpful part. He belongs to Theta

Delta Chi, and while at Tufts College his sons also joined this fraternity. He is likewise a member of the Tufts College chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, an honorary scholastic society. He is a past president of the Hudson River Schoolmasters Club and likewise has membership in the New York State Teachers Association and in the National Education Association. Bending his energies to the acquisition and dissemination of useful knowledge, Dr. Michael has successfully engaged in educational work for fifty-six years, attaining high standing in his profession, and few of its representatives have so fine a record of service and accomplishment.

ROBERT WESLEY ANDREWS, M. D.

Robert Wesley Andrews was born in Rochdale, town of Poughkeepsie, New York, September 9, 1869, a son of Charles H. Andrews and Eleonora F. (DuBois) Andrews. The father, Charles H. Andrews, was born in Northfield Falls, Vermont, the son of Robert and Belinda (Germaine) Andrews, and was interested in the textile industry from young manhood, until his death, being considered an expert in that line. Originally the Andrews family came from England.

Eleonora (DuBois) Andrews is a daughter of John M. DuBois and Mary Ann VanDyne, is a native of Dutchess county, New York, and a direct descendant of Louis DuBois who was born in Wicres, France, in 1626, and came to this country before 1650, being one of the twelve patentees who originally founded New Paltz, Ulster county, New York. Dr. Andrews through his mother is a descendant of Baltus VanKleeck who came to New York city in the seventeenth century and built the first house in Poughkeepsie in 1702. Baltus VanKleeck represented the county of Dutchess in the sixteenth and seventeenth colonial assemblies.

Dr. Andrews is also a descendant of the VanDyne family. When he was very young his parents moved to Northfield Falls,

Vermont, where he attended the public schools and graduated from the high school in Northfield, after which he studied pharmacy and became a licensed druggist in New York state. He entered Union University (Albany Medical College) in 1895 and graduated in 1898.

Shortly after graduating, he entered the army during the Spanish-American war, as an acting assistant surgeon, and was sent to Chickamauga Park, Georgia, and later was ordered to Porto Rico where he was on duty for eight months.

In 1899, Dr. Andrews was commissioned a first lieutenant and assistant surgeon and ordered to duty at South Framingham, Massachusetts. He assisted in organizing the Forty-sixth Regiment Infantry, U. S. Volunteers, and served with this regiment in the Philippine Islands for twenty months during the insurrection. While taking care of the sick and wounded, he was cited for bravery under fire at the battle of Montaban, Philippine Islands. Following is a copy of the citation:

"Forty-sixth Infantry. Certificate of merit, for brevet rank of captain, for coolness and good judgment at the battle of Montaban, Philippine Islands, December 27, 1899."

In 1901, Dr. Andrews resumed the work of his profession in Poughkeepsie, New York, and did post-graduate work in Cornell Medical College and other institutions. He became connected with the board of health in the city of Poughkeepsie, was director of the city laboratory for about nine years and was elected a coroner of Dutchess county for two terms of three years each.

In 1917 (June) he entered the World war as a captain and assistant surgeon and was ordered to Plattsburg, New York, where he did duty through the first and second training camps. During the second camp, he was commissioned a major and was operating surgeon of the camp. In November, 1917, he was sent to the Boston City Hospital for special work in fractures. Later, he was ordered to Camp Devens, Massachusetts, for duty and in February, 1918, was sent to Rockefeller Institute, New York city, for special instruction in the treatment of war wounds.

In March, 1918, he was honorably discharged as a major and

returned to civil life, resuming the practice of his profession in Poughkeepsie. Dr. Andrews has a large general practice and is attending surgeon at the Hudson River State Hospital, and the Bowne Memorial Hospital; consulting surgeon of Vassar Hospital and a member of the staff of St. Francis Hospital. He served the city of Poughkeepsie as commissioner of health and was at one time a trustee of Bowne Memorial Hospital. He is familiar with the great truths which the science of surgery has revealed and in practical experience has gained the skill that brings to his work the utmost possibility of accuracy in results.

Dr. Andrews is identified with the Sons of the Revolution, and Beta Chapter of the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity, while in Masonry he is a member of Poughkeepsie Lodge, No. 266, F. & A. M.; Poughkeepsie Chapter, No. 172, R. A. M.; King Solomon Council, No. 31, R. & S. M.; and Poughkeepsie Commandery, No. 43, K. T. He is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, and is also a member of the Dutchess-Putnam Medical Society, the New York State Medical Society, the First District Branch of that organization, and the American Medical Association. He is a member and past commander of the John K. Sague Camp, United Spanish War Veterans, Vail-Wolff Post, Veterans Foreign Wars, and Lafayette Post of the American Legion.

Dr. Andrews was married in 1898 to Miss Minnie M. Marill, daughter of Dr. Joaquim Marill y Alverez and Amanda (Caire) Marill, the former a member of a prominent Spanish family of Cuba and of ancient Spanish lineage and was through his mother, a direct descendant of the Spanish House of Alva. On the maternal side, Mrs. Andrews is a descendant of the DeVoe and Foster families. They are both members of, and attend Christ Episcopal Church.

Dr. and Mrs. Andrews have two children. The son, Robert Carlyle Andrews, is a graduate of West Point and is now a first lieutenant of Infantry, United States Army. He married Miss Julieta Maldonado who is of Spanish descent, the first member of her family having come to this country with Cortez. They have one son, Robert Wesley, (II).

The daughter, Helen Germaine Andrews, graduated from Vassar College (A. B.) and married James Russell Wheaton of Ionia, Michigan, a West Point graduate and a lieutenant of artillery in the United States Army. They have one son, James Russell, Jr.

JOHN OGDEN

Directing his efforts into constructive channels, John Ogden has played an important part in the development of Poughkeepsie, where he had followed the profession of civil engineer for thirty-three years, and he has also experienced many phases of pioneer life in the west. He was born in Fishkill, Dutchess county, December 5, 1851, and his forbears were among the first of the English contingent to settle in the Hudson River Valley. His father, James Ogden, was a native of Fishkill and a son of Charles and Sarah (Palmer) Ogden. The mother, Susan (Homan) Ogden, was a daughter of Moses and Mary (Anderson) Homan, of Fishkill, and a granddaughter of Zebulon Homan, who served under General Washington in the Revolutionary war. To Mr. and Mrs. James Ogden were born five children: William, deceased; John; George; D. W., who has also passed away; and Charles, who lives in California.

John Ogden attended the public schools of Stormville, New York, and early manifested an aptitude for mathematics. To E. A. Briggs, a teacher of higher mathematics, he returned time and again for instruction and attributes his proficiency along that line to the thorough training which he received from Professor Briggs. After mastering surveying and civil engineering Mr. Ogden responded to the call of the west and with other adventurous young men of courage and energy went to Dickinson county, Kansas. With his associates he took up about four thousand acres of land which was planted to wheat. This was during the year of the grasshopper plague, when millions of bushels of

Kansas wheat were eaten by these pests, and the venture proved disastrous for Mr. Ogden and his companions. Following this debacle he became secretary and treasurer of a coal company and was in active charge of the mines. His time was thus occupied until 1898, when he returned to the east, and has since practiced as a civil engineer in Poughkeepsie. His office is in the Graham building at 16 Cannon street and his technical knowledge and skill are in constant demand. His work has been of a most important character, involving a clear understanding of the scientific principles as well as the technical phases of his profession, and he is generally regarded as one of the leading civil engineers in this part of the state.

Mr. Ogden married Miss Loda V. Hopkins and they have a wide circle of friends of long standing.

EDGAR T. SHULTIS

Public trusts of an important nature have been reposed in Edgar T. Shultis, who is serving for the second term as city treasurer of Kingston, New York, and is also an enterprising business man. He was born in Woodstock, Ulster county, New York, October 28, 1878, a son of Edgar Shultis, who was also a native of that town. The father was an agriculturist throughout his active life and attained the venerable age of eighty-seven years. In young manhood he married Jane A. Sitzler, who was born in Columbia county, New York, and departed this life in 1919. They were parents of the following children, all of whom were natives of Woodstock: Mary, who died in infancy, and Gertrude when a girl of sixteen. Esther, who attained the age of twenty-seven years, was a teacher in various schools of Ulster county. Luella is the wife of Augustus Kohler, a Kingston contractor and builder. George W., the proprietor of a grocery store in Kingston, married Lillian Shufeldt, daughter of Charles L. Shufeldt, of Woodstock. Myron L., of Modena, New York, one of the leading farmers of Ulster county, married Albina Wurts,

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a daughter of Dr. Jacob D. Wurts, now deceased, who was county clerk of Ulster county for a number of years. Martha J., is the wife of Robert Ivory, of Kingston, New York, who is an employe of the Kingston Trust Company. Florence B., married Percy L. Croswell, an agriculturist of Ulster Park, New York.

Edgar T. Shultis, who is the youngest son, attended the public schools of Woodstock and aided in the work of developing the home farm until he reached the age of nineteen when he came to Kingston. Here he entered the employ of DeWitt Cunyes who was an ice dealer, and remained with him for two years, afterward spending a similar period in the employ of Goodsell, Smith & Crane, also ice dealers. He then entered the ice business as a member of the firm of Crane & Shultis, thus continuing until 1910, when the Binnewater Lake Ice Co. was incorporated. Previous to that time the company had obtained its supply of ice from the Hudson river and Devils lake. The new corporation purchased one hundred and eighty acres of land including the Fifth Binnewater lake from which it now derives its entire supply of ice. The corporation officers are: W. P. Crane, president; Edgar T. Shultis, vice president, and Robert H. Crane, secretary. Mr. Shultis is also secretary and treasurer of the Kingston Factory Corporation and a trustee of the Rondout Savings Bank. As an executive he is sagacious, farsighted and forceful and his cooperation has been of value to the business and financial organizations which he represents.

On the first of May, 1913, Mr. Shultis was married to Miss Margaret T. Larkin, a teacher in the city schools, a native of Kingston and a daughter of Michael H. and Mary E. (Cooney) Larkin. Mr. Larkin, a prominent and successful business man in Kingston, was a coal and wood dealer and for a number of years also in the grocery business. He retired from business several years before his death, which occurred in 1919, but Mrs. Larkin still resides in this city. Mr. and Mrs. Shultis have, as a member of their family a very dear relative, Miss Alice B. Cuniff, who has made her home with them since 1917. Miss Cuniff is a graduate of Kingston high school and the New Paltz Normal

and is now teaching in Public School, No. 7, in Kingston, New York.

Mr. Shultis is a member of Christ Lutheran Church, in which his parents long held membership. His father was one of the organizers of the church, and served on the committee in charge of its construction. Recognition of the duties and obligations as well as the privileges of citizenship has led him to take an active part in public life and as a public official he has always done efficient, conscientious work. He was elected supervisor of the Eleventh Ward of the city of Kingston for four terms. In 1914 he was elected sheriff of Ulster county serving for the regular term of three years. On the first of January, 1928, he was appointed city treasurer of the city of Kingston for a term of two years, making an excellent record which won him reappointment January 1, 1930. During the World war he furthered the sale of Liberty Bonds and in 1917 was in charge of enrollments of the county, furnishing the lists for the draft board of which his dear friend, Captain B. J. Hornbeck, now deceased, was chairman.

His fraternal affiliations are with the Loyal Order of Moose, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the United Commercial Travelers. He is also a member of the Kingston Club. His activities have covered a wide scope and through all the varied responsibilities of life he has acquitted himself with dignity, fidelity and honor, winning the approbation and esteem of his fellowmen. The Shultis residence is at 100 Maiden lane.

AUSTIN R. NEWCOMBE

Rapidly expanding his interests, Austin R. Newcombe became one of the large oil operators of the Hudson River Valley and achieved a measure of success which now enables him to live retired in Kingston, although he is still connected with the petroleum industry. He was born in Windham, New York, February

21, 1873, and traces his ancestry back to Captain Andrew Newcombe, who was born in the north of England in 1618. A daring navigator, he came to America in his own sailing vessel, landing in Virginia in 1672, after which he operated a ship between Boston and ports in the Old Dominion. George A. Newcombe, the father of Austin R. Newcombe, was born in Union Society, near Windham, New York, July 8, 1848, and owned a productive farm in Greene county. He augmented his income during the summer season by providing accommodations for tourists and at times had as many as seventy-five boarders. He also engaged in business and in 1891 installed the first sanitary plumbing in his district. He married Lydia A. Avery, a native of Jewett Heights, New York, and a daughter of Daniel Avery, a farmer, who journeyed from Connecticut to the Empire state in the early part of the nineteenth century. George A. and Lydia A. (Avery) Newcombe were the parents of four children: Austin R.; Grover C. and George A., Jr., both of whom died when about ten years of age; and Marie W., who was born in Windham, September 18, 1885.

Reared on the homestead, Austin R. Newcombe attended the district school of that neighborhood and also took a course in the Eastman Business College. He assisted his father in the work of cultivating the farm for several years and in 1907 started out for himself, entering the oil business at Union Society. While residing in this locality he also became identified with public utility work and in 1906 installed the first electric light plant at Comeston Park, near Windham. Leaving the region of the Catskills in 1924, he located in Kingston and here engaged in the gasoline and oil business on a large scale. He opened twelve gas stations, owning these, and leased many more, while he also established tank and car stations. He operated under the style of the Newcombe Oil Company, Inc., which grew from a very small concern to a widely known corporation transacting an extensive ship cargo business. In its control Mr. Newcombe manifested executive ability of a high order and the scope and importance of his activities is indicated in the fact that in May, 1930, when

he disposed of his oil interests to the Cities Service Company, he was operating one hundred and forty stations and had several hundred retail outlets for gas and oil from New Jersey to the Albany (N. Y.) district. Year by year his business expanded and he became recognized as one of the foremost independent oil men in this part of the country. He brought the first large oil tanker from Los Angeles, California, to Kingston. This boat had a capacity of seventy-five thousand barrels and before it could be brought up the Hudson river soundings had to be made from New York to Kingston. His company also owned smaller ships plying between Newburgh and Albany, these tankers having a capacity of eight thousand barrels of oil. Mr. Newcombe is an honorary member of the National Petroleum Institute, vice president and a director of the Ulster Oil Transport Corporation and also a director of the State of New York National Bank. He has laid aside the burdens and cares of business life and represents the oil corporation in an advisory capacity. His time and attention are now chiefly occupied with the supervision of the Manor Lake Estate, which he purchased July 8, 1924. It was first known as the Schufelt Place, on which there was an old stone house, built before the Revolutionary war. When F. G. Schmidt, of New York city, acquired the property the original dwelling was demolished and on the site he erected a modern, pretentious home. It stands in the midst of spacious, well kept grounds and the lane which leads to the house is bordered on each side by beautiful trees which were planted more than two hundred years ago. An artificial lake adds to the attractiveness of the property and a modern dairy is operated on the estate. It embraces fifty-two acres and is one of the show places of the district.

On the 11th of February, 1908, Mr. Newcombe was married to Miss Luella Post, who was born in Catskill, New York, March 20, 1881, and traces her lineage to Jan Janson Post, whose surname, according to tradition, signified his occupation, which was that of mail carrier. Leaving his home at Harlingen, a seaport in the province of Friesland, Holland, he came to America and

was numbered among the early Dutch settlers of New York. In 1679 he leased the Harlem farm of Lemens Janson and in 1684 removed to Kingston, where he spent the remainder of his life. He married Jannettie, a daughter of Francois and Jannettie (Hilderbrante) Le Seuer, and they were the parents of Jan Post, who wedded Cornelia Jesselstine. Abraham Post, the next in line of descent, married Maria Schut, by whom he had a son, Peter Post, who joined the Ulster County Militia and served under Colonel Johannes Snyder in the Revolutionary war. Peter Post married Deborah Schoonmaker and he departed this life March 12, 1787. His son, Abraham Post was born November 3, 1769, and passed away February 22, 1848. In young manhood he married Catherine Dedrick, who was born July 9, 1780, and passed away November 12, 1857. They were the parents of seven children. Of these Amos Post, the father of Mrs. Newcombe, was born February 15, 1858, and died February 22, 1923. A versatile and resourceful man, he engaged in the manufacture of soda water, was a dealer in gasoline and oil and also took contracts for drilling wells, prospering in all of his undertakings. He married Nettie Shoemaker, who was born in Ashbury, near Saugerties, New York, May 25, 1860, and died November 30, 1927. She was of Dutch descent and belonged to a family that was founded in America by three brothers who came to this country during the formative period in its history. One of the brothers located in Philadelphia, another established his home in Albany and the third settled in Ulster county. Among their descendants was Peter Shoemaker, who valiantly defended the cause of American independence, fighting under General Washington, with whom he was well acquainted, and was mustered out of the service April 28, 1777, as a private. On the 19th of September, 1780, he married Maria Wolf, by whom he had nine children. There were three children in the family of Amos and Nettie (Shoemaker) Post. Edison, the eldest, was born December 29, 1878, and died November 1, 1929. He engaged in the oil and garage business, also operating a cider mill. His wife, Mamie (Delameter) Post, was born

in Catskill, April 27, 1879. Henry Post, born October 4, 1883, also conducts a garage. On the 4th of October, 1905, he married Julia Clark, of Athens, New York, and Clark Amos, their only son, was born June 17, 1906. In April, 1927, he married Elizabeth M. Cunningham and their daughter, Betty Jean, was born December 8, 1927. Luella, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Post, became the wife of Austin R. Newcombe, as previously stated, and they have two sons: Amos Richard, who was born May 15, 1920; and Lloyd Avery, born January 21, 1922. They are natives of Catskill and both are attending the public schools of Kingston. Mr. and Mrs. Newcombe are members of the First Dutch Reformed Church, and Mrs. Newcombe is a member of Wiltwyck chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution.

Mr. Newcombe belongs to the Rondout Yacht Club and to the Twaalfskill Country Club. Fraternally he is a Mason, with membership in Mountain Lodge, No. 529, F. & A. M.; Mountain Chapter, R. A. M.; Rondout Commandery, K. T.; and Cyprus Temple of the Mystic Shrine at Albany. He is a worthy exemplar of the order and a self-made man whose example may well be emulated by all who aspire to a high level of accomplishment. Upon the firm foundation of integrity and honor he reared the superstructure of his success and well merits the respect that is uniformly accorded him.

ELMER J. CONKLIN

Elmer J. Conklin has made a most creditable and commendable record as postmaster of Poughkeepsie, in which official position he has continuously served since December 7, 1921. He was born in Hyde Park, Dutchess county, New York, a son of James O. and Sarah (Pettit) Conklin, and comes of pioneer ancestry. The family records include the following interesting document.

"The name Conklin was spelled in these several ways: Conclin, Concklin, Concklyn, Kankelin, Canklyn, Conkling, Conklin, Kancklyn, Conklie, Conclie, Conkelyne, etc., in parish registers,

by the town clerks and by the individuals themselves. Even members of the same family spelled the name differently—a husband Conkling and his wife Conklin; therefore it is less confusing to reduce it to the modern and generally accepted spelling of Conklin, which the Huntington branch consistently used and which is here followed.

“It is our belief that John and Ananias Conklin, who the writer, after careful study, believes were brothers, came to America together from Holland, at the time bringing their families with them. We find it recorded that John Conklyne married Elizabeth Allseabrook, January 24, 1625, in St. Peter’s at Nottinghamshire, England, and they had several children born to them before sailing for America. We also find that Ananias Conkling married Mary Launder, February 23, 1631, in the same church. They came to America about 1638 and settled in Salem, Massachusetts, where we find him in official records in 1640 and Ananias Conklin mentioned in 1642. Here John and Ananias Conklin established the first glass works in America. They removed to Hashamomack, east of Southold, Long Island, about 1650, and John later moved to Southold; in 1660 he removed to Huntington, Long Island, with his son, Timothy. Ananias removed from Southold to Easthampton, Long Island, about 1653 and died there in 1656.

“John Conklin and his son John appear many times in the Southold town records between 1655 and 1683. John Conklin (1) is credited with being one of the original settlers of Southold and was one of those who constituted the church of Rev. John Youngs thereat. John and his son Timothy owned land at West Neck, where they were both freeholders, and their names appear in the records and rate bills.

“In 1673, October, (new style) at Huntington, Long Island, a John Koncklyne refused with five others to take the oath of Dutch allegiance.

“It is somewhat difficult to separate John, Sr., from John, Jr., in the records, but the following instrument makes sure that John, Sr., was of Huntington. ‘Jenuary the 23, 1682. Jeraco,

on Long iland in the north Riding of New Yorkshear Jeremiah Hubbard of Jemaco and Rebeckah Brush of hintingtoun wee desier that you would grant us our request in sending us a lissanc (license) for to be married. To mr. West I pray sur send them without feyle (fail) and I will asrtisfie (satisfy) you well for it. I have no money at present, but you shall be shure of it John Conkelyne, rebeka brush's grandfather dith (doth) his con free consent to the mache (match).'

Signed "John Conkelyne, Seynior
 "Jeremiah Hubbard
 "Rebeckah Brush"

John Conklin (I) died at Huntington, Long Island, February 23, 1684, aged eighty-three years, while his son John (II) died at Southold, where he was buried. The inscription on the latter's tombstone is as follows: "Here lyeth the body of Capt. John Conkelyne born in Nottinghamshire, England, and died at Southold, LI. April 6, 1694, age 64 years."

John Conklin (VI) of Poughkeepsie, New York, son of John Conklin (V) and Annetje Storm (III), was born at Phillips Burg, March 3, 1725, and died November 20, 1823. On the 20th of June, 1751, he married Maria Schurri (Mearah Yerry) of Schralenburg, and lived in Fishkill. They were the parents of thirteen children, as follows: Johanna, who was born December 4, 1752; Susanna, born July 16, 1754, who married Obedia Patterson and had three children—Anna (1772), Catharina (1774) and John (1777); Catharine, who was born April 16, 1756, and died young; Maria (Mary), who was born in Rhinebeck, January 5, 1758, and died young; Elizabeth, who was born June 3, 1760, and married Isaac Travis; John, born in Rhinebeck, August 5, 1762, who married Susan Storm and had one son, William; Sarah, born in Rhinebeck, October 15, 1764; Catharine, born in Poughkeepsie, January 3, 1767; Easter (Hester), born in Poughkeepsie, February 24, 1769; David, born in Poughkeepsie, June 17, 1771; Maria (Mary), who was born in Poughkeepsie, December 7, 1773, and died March 23, 1853; Abraham I., who was born in Poughkeepsie, March 21, 1776, and died May

15, 1853, aged seventy-seven years; and Jacob, who was born in Poughkeepsie, June 13, 1778.

Of the above named, Abraham I. Conklin, the twelfth in order of birth in the family of John and Mearah (Yerry) Conklin, was married December 5, 1805, to Dorcas Briggs, daughter of John Briggs (VI) and Abigail Robinson. To them were born four children, the eldest of whom, John B., born in 1807, died at the age of seventy-three years, seven months and twelve days. John B. Conklin married Comfort Wood, who died July 15, 1877, aged seventy-one years and ten months. They were the parents of eight children: Abraham I., William, Tunis J., Joseph, Dorcas B., Minerva J., Maria and Edgar T. Tunis V. K. Conklin, the second son of Abraham I. and Dorcas (Briggs) Conklin, was born May 22, 1812, and died March 1, 1842. On the 16th of December, 1835, he married Elsie F. Van Wagner, who died September 23, 1874, leaving two sons and one daughter: James O., the father of Elmer J. Conklin of this review; Elizabeth, born November 4, 1839, who married John L. Pells on the 11th of November, 1873; and Tunis A., who was born March 19, 1842, and died April 3, 1879. Mary, the third in order of birth in the family of Abraham I. and Dorcas (Briggs) Conklin, was born in 1817 and died in 1819. Maria D., the youngest of their four children, was born in 1819 and first married Samuel B. Wilber, while after his death she became the wife of George R. Wood. She had a daughter, Josephine.

James O. Conklin, the eldest child of Tunis V. K. and Elsie F. (Van Wagner) Conklin, was born September 3, 1837, and died April 3, 1880. On the 8th of June, 1865, he married Sarah Pettit, who died February 15, 1880, leaving one son and two daughters: Elmer J., born June 13, 1870, who is the immediate subject of this review; Hattie, born June 10, 1872, who died August 12, 1890; and Beulah, born October 17, 1876, who married James Deyo. The parents of Mrs. Sarah (Pettit) Conklin were Harvey and Eliza (Van Benschoten) Pettit.

Elmer J. Conklin spent his early life on the home farm and attended the country schools in the acquirement of an education

and graduated from De Garmo Institute at Rhinebeck in 1889. After putting aside his text-books he served as a clerk in the old Morgan House and for a time was associated with the Prudential Life Insurance Company of Poughkeepsie. He then resumed agricultural activities but in 1913 returned to Poughkeepsie, where he became a member of the firm of Sweet & Conklin. In 1915 he was elected sheriff of Dutchess county and six years later was made postmaster of Poughkeepsie, in which position he has served continuously since December, 1921, having received appointments from three presidents. His official duties have ever been discharged in a most capable and satisfactory manner and his record is one of which he has every reason to be proud.

In early manhood Mr. Conklin was united in marriage to Miss Allette Williamson, daughter of James and Sarah (Earngy) Williamson, and they are the parents of two sons: James E.; and Stanley T., who married Beatrice Baldwin. Fraternally Mr. Conklin is affiliated with the Masons, the Elks and the Moose, while his religious faith is that of the Presbyterian Church. His life has been an upright and honorable one in every relation, and all who know him entertain for him warm regard and esteem.

GEORGE MILLHAM

George Millham is at the head of an extensive and prosperous cooperage concern in New Paltz which he established more than two decades ago. He was born May 11, 1866, in Lackawaxen, Pike county, Pennsylvania, his parents being George and Eleanor (Bush) Millham, the former a native of Hawley, Wayne county, Pennsylvania, and the latter of Sullivan county, New York. The Millham family is of English lineage. The paternal grandfather of Mr. Millham of this review cleared one hundred and sixty acres of heavy timber in Wayne county, Pennsylvania, and devoted his attention to farming pursuits throughout his active life. His son, George Millham, acquired a district school education and then mastered the trade of carpentering. He was practically

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a lifetime employe of the Delaware & Hudson Canal Company, was a proficient workman on the aqueduct across the Delaware river at Lackawaxen, Pennsylvania, assisted in building the locks and engaged in general construction work for the company. In 1869 he was transferred to the Hudson division, operating between High Falls and Rondout. Following his removal to New Paltz he became very active in the work of the Rosendale Baptist Church, served as superintendent of its Sunday school and was president of the Ulster County Sunday School Association for many years. George Millham lived retired for a few years prior to his death, which occurred at Creek Locks, Ulster county, New York, when he had reached the advanced age of eighty-one. In early manhood he had married Miss Eleanor Bush, daughter of George Bush, who followed farming throughout his active career. Mrs. Eleanor Millham passed away in 1879, when forty-four years of age. She was the mother of nine children, three of whom survive: John C., Edith and George, Jr. John C. Millham, a resident of Kingston, New York, married Miss Ellen Du Bois, of Bloomington, this state, and has a daughter, Ella, who is employed as a stenographer in the Ulster County National Bank. Edith is the wife of Eugene Le Fevre, who is employed at Vassar College, and they are the parents of three children: Edwin, Laura and Mae.

George Millham, the immediate subject of this review, was a lad of four years when his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Millham, Sr., took up their abode at Creek Locks, Ulster county, New York. There he attended public school and when still quite young began working in a grocery store, being thus employed to the age of seventeen years. Then he learned the cooperage trade in Kingston, New York, where he was employed along that line by E. M. Brigham for six years. On the expiration of that period he went to Columbia county, New York, where he had charge of the cooperage shop of Washburn & Company for four years, while subsequently he was in charge of the cooperage shop of the Lawrence Portland Cement Company of Northampton, Pennsylvania, for seven years. In 1909 he came to New Paltz, being here em-

ployed by the New York water department until 1911. During this two-year period he also engaged in the cooperage business, in which he has continued active to the present time, now employing twenty men in his shop, with both night and day shifts, in the manufacture of apple barrels and crates and other fruit packages. The output comprises all kinds of barrels from one gallon to fifty gallons in size, and shipments are made to Vermont, Pennsylvania and near-by counties in the state of New York. George Millham & Sons make special and stock barrels and also conduct a general brokerage business in packing supplies, crates, paper goods and baskets.

On the 12th of April, 1898, Mr. Millham was united in marriage to Katherine Van Wagenen, a daughter of Easton Van Wagenen and a representative of one of the oldest and most highly respected families of Ulster county, whose members have lived in New Paltz for several generations. Easton Van Wagenen, Jr., brother-in-law of Mr. Millham, was identified with the Huguenot National Bank throughout his active career and had served as cashier of the institution for many years when he passed away in May, 1928. Mr. and Mrs. Millham are the parents of two sons and a daughter: Schuyler, Irving and Penelope. Schuyler Millham supplemented his public school education by a course of study at the New Paltz Academy and since the beginning of his business career has been associated with his father in the cooperage industry. Fraternally he is affiliated with the Knights of Pythias at New Paltz. He married Maud Foster, of Inwood, Long Island, whose father is Joseph Foster, tax receiver for the town of Hempstead, Long Island. Irving Millham also attended the public schools and New Paltz Academy and after putting aside his text-books joined his father in the cooperage business. In the fall of 1930 he purchased a fruit and dairy farm of eighty acres, and it is his intention to continue the operation of the brickyard which was established on a portion of the tract some years ago. Like his brother, he is a member of the Knights of Pythias at New Paltz. He married Margaret House, of Esopus, New York, daughter of John House, and they are the

parents of a daughter, Margaret. Penelope Millham, who pursued her education in the public schools and in New Paltz Academy, is the wife of Joseph Mathews, an agriculturist of Milton, New York.

A public-spirited, enterprising and progressive citizen, Mr. Millham is rendering effective service to his fellow townsmen as a member of the board of village trustees in New Paltz. He is an active member of the Dutch Reformed Church and fraternally is identified with the following Masonic bodies: Kingston Lodge, No. 10, F. & A. M.; Poughkeepsie Chapter, R. A. M., of Poughkeepsie; Poughkeepsie Commandery, K. T., of Poughkeepsie; and Cyprus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Albany, New York, with which he has attended the Shrine conventions. He is a member of the Commandery Drill Corps of Poughkeepsie, one of the best in New York, and has attended the state conventions with this body for many years. Mr. Millham also belongs to the Knights of Pythias at New Paltz and to Huguenot Grange, No. 1028, of New Paltz, of which he is a past master. He resides in the old Van Wagenen homestead in New Paltz where his wife was born. His is the record of a self-made man, for his success is attributable entirely to his own well directed efforts, sound judgment and unfaltering enterprise. His salient personal characteristics are such as commend him to the confidence and esteem of all with whom he comes in contact, and he has won a host of friends in the varied relations of life.

EVERETT FOWLER

With business and professional interests of Kingston, Everett Fowler is closely and prominently associated as an experienced, able lawyer and one of the leading insurance agents of this part of the state. Born in New York city on the 4th of November, 1861, he is of English extraction and a scion of a family that was founded in America during the early part of the seventeenth century, settlement being made in New Haven, Connecticut.

Later representatives of the name removed to Westchester county, New York, where many members of the family still reside.

Hon. Charles A. Fowler, the father of Everett Fowler, was known throughout Ulster county as an attorney of high standing and acceptably filled public offices of trust and responsibility. He was born in Cold Spring, Putnam county, New York, May 10, 1832, and obtained his elementary instruction from private tutors. He attended the Amenia Seminary in Dutchess county and at the age of sixteen years entered Yale University. After leaving that institution of learning he studied law under the Hon. Azor Tabor, of Albany, and also attended a course of lectures at the Albany Law School. He was a member of the first class graduated from that school and at the time of his death was its oldest living graduate. He served as president of the Alumni Association of the Albany Law School in 1885. On the 9th of May, 1853, he was admitted to the bar at Albany and soon afterward opened an office in Chicago, where he practiced for six years. With his return to the Empire state in 1859 he located in New York city, where he formed a partnership with the Hon. Alfred Conklin, for many years a judge of the United States court, in the northern district. Removing to Ulster county in 1864, Mr. Fowler established an office in Ellenville, where he followed his profession until 1868, and while there was elected surrogate of Ulster county on the democratic ticket in 1867. Subsequently he was chosen to represent the fourteenth district in the state senate, assuming the duties of the office in 1880, and while thus serving introduced and secured the passage of many important bills. In 1880 he was appointed a member of a special committee to investigate the State Insane Asylums. Mr. Fowler received the nomination for the assembly in 1881, but with his party met defeat.

On the 6th of September, 1853, Mr. Fowler was married to Miss Hannah M. Warren, a daughter of Hon. Cornelius Warren, of Putnam county, who became a member of congress and judge of the court of common pleas. Four sons were born to them but

all are now deceased except Everett. In the death of Hon. Charles A. Fowler on the 7th of February, 1896, at the age of sixty-three years, Kingston lost an honorable and upright citizen and an able and courageous jurist.

In his boyhood Everett Fowler was a pupil in private schools and his higher education was acquired in Union College, from which he was graduated as a member of the class of 1885. Under his father's supervision he pursued the study of law and in 1887 was admitted to the bar. Continuing with his father, he was admitted to a partnership and remained a member of the law firm of C. A. & E. Fowler until the death of the senior partner. The son is still practicing. However, he is now more actively engaged in the insurance business and in association with C. V. A. Decker has built up one of the largest agencies along the Hudson river. He also has financial connections, being a director of the National Ulster County Bank and Trust Company and trustee of the Kingston Savings Bank. His insight is keen and his sound judgment insures the value of his advice and counsel.

At Glens Falls, New York, on the 29th of July, 1903, Mr. Fowler was married to Miss Janet King, by whom he has a daughter, Janet Warren, born December 15, 1907. Mr. Fowler's military record covers service as captain of Company M, Tenth Regiment of New York National Guard, for over seven years, and during the World war period he was a member of the home defense committee of Ulster county. In many public connections he has figured prominently and has devoted considerable time to civic and philanthropic work. Formerly he was deputy fire commissioner of the state of New York, an alderman and fire commissioner of the city of Kingston, president of the Wiltwyck Hose Company, deputy county treasurer and clerk of the board of supervisors of Ulster county. He is now vice president of the Wiltwyck Rural Cemetery Association and a trustee of both the Industrial Home and the Ulster County Home for the Aged. A prominent Mason, he has connection with Kingston Lodge, No. 10, F. & A. M., of which he is a past master; Mount Horeb Chap-

ter, R. A. M.; Rondout Commandery, K. T., of which he is a past eminent commander; and Mecca Temple of the Mystic Shrine. He also belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the New York State Historical Society, the New York State Bar Association, the Army Athletic Association, the New York Army and Navy Club, the Rip Van Winkle Club of Palenville, New York, the Kingston Club and is a member of the board of governors of the Twaalfskill Country Club. His activities and interests cover a wide scope and the high place which he holds in the esteem of his fellowmen is the direct outcome of the ability which he has displayed in legal and commercial affairs, his loyalty in citizenship and his genuine personal worth.

LOUIS BOOTH

Louis Booth, an architect, is practicing in Poughkeepsie, his native city, and bears a name well known in this part of the valley, where members of the family have lived for more than a century and a quarter. Of English lineage, he is a great-great-grandson of George Booth, who crossed the Atlantic early in the nineteenth century and settled in Dutchess county, New York, in the year 1805. A manufacturer of woolen cloth, he established here one of the first factories of the kind in this country and two silver cups were presented to him by the state in recognition of the outstanding service which he rendered to New York by creating an industry of great importance and value. His wife, a Miss Vassar, belonged to the noted family of which Matthew Vassar, the American philanthropist and founder of Vassar College, was a distinguished representative. The parents of Louis Booth were Henry and Elizabeth Booth, natives of New York. The father will be gratefully remembered by the public and by historians as the man who first gathered historical documents relating to Dutchess county, including old maps, and these he presented to the public library in Poughkeepsie. Greatly interested in the history of the county, his zeal and enthusiasm for

the work of collecting a complete and authentic record of its development was communicated to others, and the sentiment that he awakened has become a vital element in our civic culture.

Louis Booth supplemented his public school education by attendance at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology at Boston, where he studied architecture, and on completing his course returned to Poughkeepsie, where he has since followed his profession. He maintains an office in the Graham building at 16 Cannon street.

Mr. Booth married Miss Ruth Hoag, a daughter of Henry T. Hoag, and in the social life of the city they fill a prominent place.

JOHN K. SAGUE

John K. Sague, popular native son of Poughkeepsie, filled the office of mayor for three successive terms and proved one of the most efficient executives the city has ever had. He was born January 30, 1866, his parents being Horace and Harriet (Kelsey) Sague, the former also a native of Poughkeepsie, New York. Jonas Kelsey, the maternal great-grandfather of John K. Sague, lived for many years in a pioneer home on the site of 186 Church street and established and operated one of the early tanneries of Poughkeepsie. He was a soldier of the Revolutionary war. Horace Sague, the father of John K. Sague, was a carriage builder by trade, conducting a carriage shop for a number of years in association with his son Clarence under the firm name of Horace Sague & Son. With the passing of the carriage era, he turned his attention to the automobile business, in which Mr. Sague of this review is now engaged, his present establishment being the outgrowth of the Horace Sague carriage shop. Mr. and Mrs. Horace Sague were the parents of three sons and two daughters, namely: James E., who is deceased; John K.; Elvira, the wife of Jesse J. Graham; Julia, who is Mrs. Harry S. Bock; and Clarence, who has passed away.

John K. Sague acquired his education in the public schools of

Poughkeepsie and after putting aside his textbooks became an employe in the Poughkeepsie Savings Bank, in the service of which he continued for many years and made steady advancement, filling the official position of treasurer when he severed his connection with the institution in 1914. In that year he went to the eastern metropolis to take up his duties as appraiser of the port of New York, to which position he had been appointed by President Wilson. He engaged in business in New York city following the expiration of his term of office but eventually returned to Poughkeepsie to become an active partner in the firm of Horace Sague & Sons, at that time distributors of the Packard motor cars and later of other well known makes of automobiles. Both Horace Sague and his son Clarence have since passed away, so that John K. Sague is now the sole proprietor of the business, which has been developed to extensive and profitable proportions.

In early manhood Mr. Sague was united in marriage to Helen North Frost, daughter of Joseph G. and Rebecca (Carman) Frost. They are the parents of a daughter, Katherine North, who was a student at Vassar College at the time she left the United States in company with her father on a trip to China. Mr. Sague was one of two commissioners appointed by the state department in 1918, on the recommendation of Secretary McAdoo, to serve on the international tariff commission for revision of the Chinese tariff, and during the Spanish-American war he served as major of the First New York Volunteer Infantry. He was twice decorated by the Chinese government for his services to that country. Miss Sague is now a sociological worker with the Lennox Hill Settlement.

Mr. Sague has always given his political allegiance to the democratic party. He served as president of the police board of Poughkeepsie in 1889, and as such was instrumental in the Sunday closing of all saloons in this city. Elected mayor of Poughkeepsie, he was continued in the office by reelection for three successive terms. His first term began shortly after the state board of health in its survey made the declaration that Poughkeepsie was a place of "despair in general appearance, also of dirt, dis-

repair and mud." Mayor Sague changed all this. He inaugurated the movement which resulted in the construction of forty miles of pavement, and the closing and sealing of five hundred old wells that yearly bred typhoid fever. The sewage was extended and the filtration plant was built under his administration. He took a leading part in the establishment of the Bowne Memorial Hospital for tubercular patients. Other civic improvements which he promoted included the removal of poles and wires, the construction of miles of concrete sidewalks and the installation of the street lighting system. The eighth ward was annexed during his last term as mayor. Mr. Sague also received the nomination of his party for congress, but the district has a large republican majority. He was president of the municipal government association of the state of New York which brought about the four major amendments giving a larger measure of home rule to cities. Fraternally he is affiliated with Triune Lodge of Masons and with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is a vestryman of Christ Church and a well known member of the Amrita Club. His interests and activities are well balanced and judged by the standard of usefulness, his life has been a very successful one.

VINCENT DI GENNARO

Vincent di Gennaro, an able young attorney and one of Poughkeepsie's Latin-American citizens, was born in the city of Teramo, situated in the province of Abruzzi, Italy, on the 26th of March, 1900. He is a son of Joseph and Mary (Capuani) di Gennaro. The father came to the United States in 1905. In 1913 the mother came here with the three children, settling in Poughkeepsie: Vincent; Amelia, who is the wife of Finislao Nenni and the mother of three children, Filberto, Virginia and Margaret; and Cinderella.

The son obtained his rudimentary education in Italy and at the age of thirteen years enrolled as a pupil in the Arlington

school at Poughkeepsie. When his high school course was completed he entered Fordham College and there obtained his legal training, graduating in 1925 with the degree of LL. B. With his admission to the New York bar he began his career as an attorney in Poughkeepsie and is now practicing in partnership with Thomas Todarelli. They are located at 234 Main street and have been accorded a liberal clientele. Mr. di Gennaro served his law clerkship in the office of Judge Mack and is well versed in legal science. Mentally alert, he readily combats opposing counsel in legal battle and presents his cause with clearness, logic and force. He is a member of the Dutchess County Bar Association and the New York State Bar Association. In the local affairs of the Sons of Italy he takes a leading part, serving as president of the Progressive Lodge Luncheon Club of that organization, and he is also identified with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He has a wide acquaintance in Poughkeepsie, where much of his life has been spent, and his personal qualities are such as make for esteem, confidence and friendship.

Mr. di Gennaro is the president of the Italian Progressive Democratic Club of Dutchess County.

MORTIMER BYRON DOWNER, M. D.

One of the most esteemed and popular physicians of Ulster county was the late Dr. Mortimer Byron Downer, of Woodstock, whose death occurred October 6, 1928. For thirty years, he practiced his honored profession in Woodstock, and he was eminently successful in his labors throughout this period. He held the confidence and affection of all with whom he made contact, whether socially or professionally, and in his passing Ulster county lost one of its most eminent citizens. Dr. Downer was born at College Point, Long Island, December 23, 1868, and he was a son of Avery H. and Mary Ann (Banks) Downer.

The first of the family to come to the American colonies was Robert Downer and his wife, Hannah (Vincent) Downer. They



DR. MORTIMER B. DOWNER
From painting by George B. Shephard

came from Wiltshire, England, in 1650, and settled at Newbury, Massachusetts. Avery Downer, the father of Dr. Downer, was identified with the oil business and for many years had offices at 32 Maiden lane, New York city.

Dr. Mortimer B. Downer attended private school and high school at Flushing, Long Island, then took up the study of medicine in Columbia University, from which institution he graduated in 1896. He then practiced for two years in Brooklyn, New York, and in 1898 he located in Woodstock, Ulster county, New York, there starting the professional career which was to continue until his demise. Dr. Downer was active for twenty years on the staff of the Benedictine Hospital of Kingston, New York. Not only was he notably successful in his practice but he was particularly skillful as a diagnostician and his more than local fame caused him to be invited to deliver lectures in other places, among them Bellevue Hospital in New York city. He was a member of the Ulster County Medical Association, also the New York State Medical Association. His interest in public and local affairs is illustrated by the fact that at one time he personally made a canvass in Woodstock and raised two thousand dollars by popular subscription for the purpose of building a school. Every local cultural and civic movement of mercy received Dr. Downer's hearty cooperation and support. He was one of the three organizers of the Woodstock Club which was the forerunner of the Woodstock Library and he served for a number of years as secretary of the latter. He also helped to organize the Woodstock Fire Department of which he was a member. He was always active in the Dutch Reformed Church and was a member of this denomination at College Point, but transferred to Woodstock after coming here.

On June 10, 1893, at College Point, Long Island, Dr. Downer was married to Lillian Frances Buckley, daughter of Francis and Mary (Brill) Buckley. Her father was a native of Ireland, and her mother was born in Germany in 1844. The latter survives. To Dr. and Mrs. Downer there were born six children, all of whom are living. Mortimer Byron Downer, Jr., was born at

College Point, Long Island, September 13, 1894, and graduated in medicine at Columbia University and at George Washington University at Washington, D. C. After his graduation at Columbia, he served as interne in several of the leading hospitals of New York city, and after his father's death he removed to Woodstock and took over his father's practice for two years. In 1930, he returned to New York city. He also has done medical study in London and Vienna. He served in the United States Navy with the rank of chief petty officer and in the hospital corps. He was in China two years before the World war, and when the United States entered this conflict he reenlisted in the medical corps. He saw active service during the war and was stationed in England. Dr. Downer was married January 24, 1930, to Carol Hallstrom, a native of Flushing, Long Island.

Donald Gallandette Downer, born July 11, 1896, graduated from the Ulster academy, after which he took up art and studied in New York city. He is now a resident of Leadville, Colorado, where he follows mining and art. He married Helen Pierce of Port Washington, Long Island, and they are the parents of a daughter, Lee. Donald G. Downer served in France in the medical corps during the World war.

Dorothy Grace Downer, born January 22, 1898, was educated in Ulster Academy, and was married in 1924 to Laurence Goetz, a native of Brooklyn, New York, and they have two children, Faith and Joan. They reside in Woodstock.

Gladys F. Downer, born March 1, 1900, attended Kingston high school, and married John J. Feeley, a native of Brooklyn, New York, and their children are Gale and Pamela. They make their home in Woodstock, and Mr. Feeley is an artist of note.

Kenneth Avery Downer, born January 21, 1903, is a graduate of Kingston high school. He is a studio landscape artist, and resides in New York city. He was prominent in Near East relief work, and was in Russia and Armenia for some time. He married Mary Lee Pope, a native of Virginia, and they have a child, Stephen.

Lillian Ruth Downer, born August 26, 1904, graduated from

Kingston high school and is a partner in the Woodstock Riding School. She resides at home with her mother in Woodstock.

It may be noted in closing this brief biography of Dr. Downer that he was a descendant of General Warren of Revolutionary fame. On both sides of his family, there were many professional men of prominence, in the law, in medicine and in the clergy. Dr. Downer was a member of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows for a number of years, and he was well known as a gifted after-dinner speaker. His principal hobby, and a lifelong one, was as a philatelist and he spent much time and money in accumulating a valuable collection of stamps which is in possession of his family and considered one of the best in the country. Mrs. Downer, who survives her husband, maintains a strong interest in local matters, and is a member of the Ulster County Historical Society.

WILLIAM H. BRIGHAM

Throughout the Hudson River Valley members of the Brigham family have become well known by reason of the scope and importance of the business operations at East Kingston, founded by Elisha Brigham, and greatly expanded by his sons. William H. Brigham, a member of the firm of Brigham Bros., was born in Kingston, August 24, 1862, a son of Elisha Brigham, who was a native of Connecticut. The paternal grandfather emigrated to this country from England and established his home in Connecticut. The maternal ancestors of William H. Brigham were also natives of England and became early settlers of Kingston, New York. Elisha Brigham came to Kingston as a young man and was the first to engage in the cement business in Ulster county. He owned quarries at East Kingston and under the name of the Hudson River Cement Company he successfully carried on the business for many years. In connection with the cement business he opened a general store near the plant. After his sons entered the business he concentrated his attention upon

the management of the cement plant, remaining in control of the enterprise until it was disposed of. He died in 1901. Quick to perceive the possibilities and opportunities of a business situation, he focused his energies in directions where fruition was certain and was one of the strong individual forces in the industrial development of this section. His wife, Isabella M. (Nichols) Brigham, was a daughter of Reuben Nichols, who long conducted a private school in Kingston, where he made his home until his death at the age of eighty-nine years. Mrs. Brigham was a lifelong resident of the city and attained the advanced age of ninety-five years, while her brother, Albert J. Nichols, passed away at the age of ninety-four years. His daughter, who has reached the eighty-ninth milestone on life's journey, is living in New York city, where her son, Augustus N. Allen, has successfully followed the profession of architecture for many years.

William H. Brigham attended the public schools of his native city and afterward was employed in the First National Bank at Rondout, now a part of Kingston. He then became associated with his father and elder brother, taking charge of the store at East Kingston, and this mercantile establishment is still in operation. Two years after it was started a second store was opened at Creek Locks, near Rosendale, and it was there conducted while the cement plant was in operation, or for a period of five years. The father controlled the plant until he disposed of it about forty years ago. In 1891 the brick manufacturing business was established by Henry R. and William H. Brigham, under the firm style of Brigham Bros., with an annual output of six million brick. Later they opened a second yard, and their annual capacity is now forty million brick. Ever alert to the newest developments in their line, they have constantly improved their equipment and in 1906 installed a steam drier, the second plant of this type in the Hudson River Valley. When running at full capacity they employ about two hundred and twenty-five men and all of the output of the factory is shipped to the market of New York city and vicinity. Their product has always been maintained at a high standard, and throughout the period of its

existence the firm has enjoyed an unassailable reputation for enterprise and reliability. The sons have inherited the father's business acumen and foresight and their knowledge and experience have made them recognized experts in the field of brick manufacturing.

William H. Brigham was married first, October 28, 1885, to Miss Susan S. O'Neil, of Kingston, a daughter of C. M. O'Neil, who conducted a general store here for years. The mother of Mrs. Brigham was a sister of William Hestor, a prominent journalist, who was editor of the Brooklyn Eagle for many years. Mrs. Brigham passed away December 3, 1922. She had become the mother of a daughter, Mary H., who was married April 11, 1916, to Addison D. Williams, now assistant to the general manager of the American Chain Company, with which he has been identified for many years. They are living in Bridgeport, Connecticut, and have two children, Susan M. and William A. Williams. On the 4th of September, 1930, Mr. Brigham was married to Miss Adelaide E. Main, a native of Kingston, daughter of the late Robert Main, a brick manufacturer who was president of the Empire Brick & Supply Company.

For forty-five years Mr. Brigham has been a member of the First Baptist Church, which his father aided in organizing, and has contributed liberally toward its support. An enthusiastic yachtsman, he formerly owned two palatial cruisers but sold the first. The second cruiser, forty-six feet long, was a double-decker with accommodations for eight passengers, and covered five thousand miles in 1929. In the following year he made a trip to Bermuda, taking out the cruiser on his return, and on September 19, 1930, while entering the Hudson river at Kingston Point, the boat caught fire. It had mahogany finishings, beautiful and costly appointments, and was a total loss. Mr. Brigham and the sailor who always lived aboard had great difficulty in getting clear of the boat and narrowly escaped death. Constructed at Port Clinton, Ohio, on Lake Erie, it was the latest type of cruiser and was named the Susan II. In 1931 Mr. Brigham had the Susan III built by the same company, a

forty-seven foot vessel, and equipped with the Lux fire extinguisher system which renders it practically fire proof, and which system while in use by the government, is also installed in the finer and more modern private yachts. Mr. Brigham enjoys a game on the links and belongs to the Twaalfskill Country Club, and is also a member of the Colonial Yacht Club and the Rondout Yacht Club. In his younger days he enjoyed the sport of hunting and while a student he played baseball as a member of various school teams. During the World war he was a member of the fuel conservation commission and gave much of his time to work of a patriotic nature, including activities in behalf of the various Red Cross, Liberty Loan and Salvation Army drives. In recognition of his service he received a certificate, signed by Edward Spafford, national committeeman of the American Legion, and his name is on file in Washington, D. C., in connection with the source record of the war. Mr. Brigham has resided at 272 Albany avenue for thirty years and has always lived in Kingston. He has watched its upbuilding and progress with deep interest but has been more than an onlooker, for his contribution toward the city's development has been of an important character. Although his business affairs are never neglected, he has found time to enjoy life and is a man of genial, kindly nature and high principles, esteemed and respected by all who know him.

EMMET P. COUGHLAN

With broad experience in hotel management, Emmet P. Coughlan is successfully conducting the Nelson House of Poughkeepsie, one of the noted hostelries of this part of the state. He was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, May 13, 1885, a son of Michael and Sarah Ann (Daley) Coughlan, also natives of that city, and is of Irish ancestry in both the paternal and maternal lines. The other sons in the family are: Joseph D., a West Point graduate and a major in the United States Army; and Frederick M., a lieutenant in the navy.

Reared in his native city, Emmet P. Coughlan attended its public schools, graduating from the New Bedford high school in 1903, and had the advantage of an early start in the hotel business, which has constituted his life work. Beginning in a humble capacity, he steadily advanced as he gave proof of his ability and worth, and his experience covers all phases of hotel operation. He has filled responsible positions in leading hotels of New York, Florida and other states. He was manager of a hotel at Millbrook, New York, and just prior to locating in Poughkeepsie was manager of the Hotel Van Rensselaer in New York city, where he became associated with the well known and popular Walter Averill, whom he succeeded as manager of the Nelson House at the latter's death, assuming the duties of that position on the 1st of May, 1918, and has also become president of the operating corporation. During his administration many changes and improvements have been made, including additions to the older buildings, whereby the capacity of the house has been increased, and it has been modernized in all respects. This had formerly been the site of the old and historic Forbus House, which had replaced a colonial inn, famous in the stirring days of the Revolution. Erected in 1876, the Nelson House was named for Horatio Nelson, then New York's secretary of state. His sister had acquired the site of the new hotel and was its first owner. Prior to the acquisition of this hotel by Mr. Averill the original unit had been increased by the building of three separate additions. There were ten proprietors during the period from 1876 to 1884 and in the latter year Horatio N. Bane, of the old Poughkeepsie House, took charge of the Nelson House, operating it continuously until 1918. The Nelson House has been host to many celebrities, as was its predecessor, the Forbus House, at which General Lafayette was an honored guest. Under the hospitable regime and progressive management of Mr. Coughlan the Nelson House has continued to prosper and is now at the peak of its popularity. This is one of Poughkeepsie's outstanding institutions and a hotel which is a credit to the city, where for fifty-five years it has been a center of service, offering to its patrons the

atmosphere of a refined home and all that is most desirable in hotel comforts, facilities and accommodations.

Mr. Coughlan is married and has a family of four children: William, Sarah, Charles and Margaret. Fraternally Mr. Coughlan is identified with the Elks and his civic spirit is expressed as a member of the board of education and a director of the Poughkeepsie Chamber of Commerce. He has found that the service which exceeds the guest's expectations is the most effective, although silent advertising, and he is widely recognized as an expert in hotel management.

ARTHUR B. LANPHIER

Arthur B. Lanphier, Attorney and Counsellor at Law, with offices located at No. 53-55 State street, Albany, N. Y., was born in Rensselaer, New York, April 30, 1889, the son of Ambrose and Margaret Birney Lanphier.

His father, a native of Elmira, New York, was and is at the time of this writing, connected with the Delaware and Hudson Railroad Company.

His mother, Margaret Birney Lanphier, was born in Rensselaer, New York, and she was the daughter of Arthur J. Birney and Mary Birney. The Birney family was one of the oldest and best known residents of Rensselaer, including three children: William Birney, since deceased; Mary Birney and Margaret Birney.

Ambrose Lanphier, Jr., a brother of Arthur B. Lanphier, died leaving two children: Margaret Lanphier, who received her early education at St. John's Academy, Rensselaer, New York, and later at the College of New Rochelle, wherein she received a degree of Bachelor of Arts; Theresa Lanphier, the younger daughter of Ambrose Lanphier, Jr., received her early education in the Cathedral Academy of Albany, New York, and graduated from the College of St. Rose with a degree of Bachelor of Science in June, 1931.

Reared in his native town, Arthur B. Lanphier attended St. John's Academy, completing his course in 1907, and four years later was graduated from Holy Cross College. In 1913 Boston College conferred upon him the degree of Master of Arts and in the following year he was graduated from the Harvard Law School with the degree of LL. B. Admitted to the New York bar in 1915, he entered the law office of John H. Dugan, with whom he remained for a year, and has since followed his profession independently in Albany. His office is at 55 State street, and while a general practitioner, he is engaged chiefly in negligence and criminal work. In these branches of jurisprudence he is at his best and enjoys a large and remunerative clientele.

Mr. Lanphier resides at 248 South Manning boulevard, Albany. He is a communicant of the Roman Catholic Church and has fraternal relations with Rensselaer Council, No. 267, of the Knights of Columbus and Albany Lodge, No. 49, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In politics he is a republican and served for two years as corporation counsel for the city of Rensselaer, meeting every requirement of the office. While devoted to the interests of his clients, Mr. Lanphier never forgets that he owes a still higher allegiance to the majesty of the law and at all times he has conformed his practice to the highest standards of legal ethics, thereby winning the respect of his associates in the profession.

HON. HOWARD M. STARR

Hon. Howard M. Starr, judge of the city court, is well known in Middletown, for he has lived here from boyhood. Born in Monticello, Sullivan county, New York, in 1875, he acquired a public school education and then took up the study of law. He was admitted to the New York bar in 1902 and practiced successfully in Middletown until elected city court judge. For several years he has presided over the city court, wisely administering its affairs and dispensing justice with an even hand.

Judge Starr is married and has a daughter, Margaret H., who graduated from Syracuse University. Keenly interested in politics, the Judge was chairman of the republican city committee for fifteen years, and an influential factor in the local councils of the party. He has a high conception of his duties and responsibilities as a public official and representative of the legal profession and his record as city judge is one which redounds greatly to his credit.

HARRY E. SCHIRICK

Studiosness, combined with the habits of industry and thoroughness, have enabled Harry E. Schirick to win success and prominence in the legal profession, and since his retirement from the bench he has engaged in private practice in Kingston. He was born in Saugerties township, Ulster county, June 15, 1890, and in both the paternal and maternal lines is a representative of German families long established in this county. His father, Eustace Schirick, was born in 1852 and achieved prominence in the blue stone business, which claimed his attention for forty years. There was a constant demand for his product, which he shipped to various sections of the country. He had several teams of horses and the latest and best machinery and equipment for the rapid handling of stone. He owned a number of quarries, operating on a large scale, but lived retired for several years prior to his death, which occurred on the 22d of December, 1926, when he was seventy-four years of age. His wife, Katherine (Wagner) Schirick, was a native of Saugerties and a daughter of Frederick Wagner. Mr. and Mrs. Schirick were the parents of nine children. John, born in Saugerties, was with his father for a time, afterward learning the monumental stone business while working for Burns Brothers, of Kingston. Subsequently he went to Utica, New York, where he followed his trade until his demise in 1923. In Kingston he had married Catherine Brundage and they had two children: Edna, the wife of Floyd DeWitt, a

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broker of New York city, by whom she has a son; and Harold, who is married and also has one child. Valentine Schirick, who also worked for his father, is now the proprietor of a barber shop in Kingston and a dealer in barbers' supplies. He married Marie Gillen, of this city. Elizabeth is the wife of Peter Crough, who is engaged in merchandising in Kingston. Katherine married George Dressel, who conducts a wholesale and retail plumbing business here, and they are the parents of a daughter, Katherine Mary. Edward Schirick, who married Katherine Donohue, of Kingston, is a clerk in the office of the corporation counsel of New York city. The sixth in order of birth was Harry E. Schirick. George Frederick Schirick was in the employ of the telegraph company at Waterbury, Connecticut, where he enlisted in 1917, and went overseas with the Twenty-sixth Division. He was the first Kingston boy to be wounded in France and after his recovery returned to the front, where he was killed in action. Shortly before his death he had been made a sergeant and assigned to the One Hundred and Tenth Regiment of United States Infantry. His remains are now interred in the Mt. Marion Cemetery at Saugerties. He was a young man of pleasing personality and high moral worth, and his untimely death brought deep sorrow to his family and friends. The Joyce-Schirick Post, Veterans of Foreign Wars, at Kingston, was named in memory of John Joyce and George Schirick, boyhood friends and schoolmates, who were the first two Ulster county soldiers killed in the World war. The other children were Frank and Elsie, the former of whom died at the age of nine and the latter at the age of two years.

Harry E. Schirick acquired his elementary education in Saugerties, afterward attending Kingston Academy from which he was graduated in 1910. His law studies were pursued in Cornell University, which numbers him among its alumni of 1914. During a portion of that year he played baseball with the St. Louis Americans and in 1915 was admitted to the bar, of New York state. With his return to Kingston he entered upon his legal career in association with Frederick Stephan, Jr., with

whom he continued for two years. In the fall of 1917, Mr. Schirick was elected city judge and four years later was again chosen to fill that office for a similar period. During the eight years of his service on the bench he closely studied every case brought before him and his rulings were always just and impartial. In 1925 he removed to his present office at 44 Main street and is now conducting a large general practice. His arguments are lucid, cogent and always to the point and he has won many verdicts favorable to the interests of his clients.

Judge Schirick takes a keen interest in politics and is chairman of the county democratic committee, while since 1924 he has been a member of the state central committee. During his senior year at Cornell University he was captain of its baseball team and greatly enjoys the national game. In his student days he joined the Duncan Society in his sophomore year, the Aleph Samach Society in his junior year and the Quill & Dagger Society in his senior year. In fraternal circles he is well known as a member of the Knights of Pythias, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and Kingston Lodge, No. 10, F. & A. M., of the Masonic order. He is also a member of the Twaalfskill Country Club. His legal work, however, occupies the major part of his attention and at all times he has been governed by high standards of service, following a course which reflects credit upon the profession which he represents.

FRANK MILLS

On the roster of public officials in Kingston appears the name of Frank Mills, who is largely responsible for the city's well paved streets and other municipal improvements. He was born in Newburgh, New York, August 16, 1865, a son of Jacob Mills, who was a native of Ulster county. The father was foreman for three years for the Day-Uptogrove Company, engaged in the brown stone business at Newburgh, and then returned to King-

ston, where he accepted a similar position with Israel Lewis, who also conducted an enterprise of that character, continuing with him for five years. On the expiration of that period Mr. Mills entered the field independently and engaged in the blue stone business until his death in 1883. In young manhood he had married Miss Emma Sparling, who was a native of West Hurley, Ulster county, and long survived him, passing away in 1908. Their family numbered nine children, of whom two are now living: Frank; and Ada May, the wife of Alfred Van Etten; a brother, Harry J., was a resident of Paterson, New Jersey, where he died in 1931.

Frank Mills attended the public schools of Kingston and at an early age began to work for his father, thus gaining his initial experience in the stone business. He continued with his father for three years and in 1880 entered the employ of William B. Fitch, also a dealer in blue stone, remaining in his service for ten years. From 1890 until 1900 he was with the Boice Blue Stone Company and then became paymaster for the Hudson River Blue Stone Company, working under S. D. Coykendall, head of the organization at that time. Three years later Mr. Mills resigned the position of paymaster, having been appointed superintendent of streets during the administration of Mayor Thompson, and subsequently became assistant superintendent of streets. In 1927 he was reinstated as superintendent and continues in this capacity, rendering to the city the services of an expert. Kingston hires no outside contractors, building all of its sewers and attending to the work of paving its streets, and has the best equipment available, including the latest type of stone crusher. During his long connection with the department of public works Mr. Mills has made his experience and knowledge of direct benefit to the municipality, discharging his duties with thoroughness and efficiency, and due to his untiring efforts Kingston has as well paved streets as any city in the state.

On the 24th of November, 1885, Mr. Mills was married to Miss Jennie B. Winchell, who passed away in 1910. She had become the mother of two daughters: Edna, who died at the age

of eighteen; and Anna, who is the wife of Andrew Keefe, assistant superintendent of highways, and has one daughter, Donna. In 1912 Mr. Mills married Miss Emma Waldron, a native of Kingston. Fraternally he is identified with the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. The family attend the Methodist Church and in politics he is a republican. On that ticket he was elected alderman of the ninth ward, occupying the office for two terms. He has been a member of various ward committees, the public building committee, and the finance committee and has aided in securing for Kingston many needed public improvements. Enterprising, conscientious and thoroughly dependable, Mr. Mills has exerted his best efforts in behalf of the city and stands deservedly high in public esteem.

L. H. MARKS, M. D. C. M.

Dr. L. H. Marks is widely known as a successful general medical practitioner of Poughkeepsie, where he has followed his profession continuously during the past three decades. He was born in Auburn, Cayuga county, New York, September 17, 1872, his parents being Charles and Elizabeth (Bruce) Marks, the former a native of Ithaca, New York. Mrs. Elizabeth Marks was born in Scotland and was still but a child when she accompanied her parents on their emigration to the United States. The family settled in Auburn, New York, where her father was for many years a designer of the famous Paisley shawls.

L. H. Marks, one of six children, received his professional training in Trinity Medical College, and was graduated with the degrees of M. D., C. M. from Trinity University. Thereafter he was appointed assistant surgeon at the National Soldiers' Home at Marion, Indiana, thus ably serving for five years. His father had been called upon to build the first large factory at Gas City, Indiana, during the gas boom there. It was in 1901 that Dr. Marks located in Poughkeepsie, New York, which city has been the scene of his professional activities throughout the

intervening period of thirty years. He is the attending obstetrician at Vassar Hospital and has gained well merited distinction for his skill in obstetrics as well as in general practice.

In early manhood Dr. Marks was united in marriage to Miss Maude Willis Lawrence, a native of Tennessee and a daughter of Lacy Lyle and Catherine (Doak) Lawrence. Representatives of the Doak family figure prominently in the pioneer annals of Tennessee. Samuel Doak, the "fighting parson," is the historic personage who knelt in the middle of the stream at King's Mountain and prayed for victory for the little band of mountain men who a few hours later soundly thrashed the British. Rev. Doak took his place among the patriots and fought as hard as he had prayed. He had attained the advanced age of eighty-one years when he died at Bethel, North Carolina, December 12, 1830, having been born August 1, 1749, in Augusta county, Virginia. He was graduated from Princeton University, was for a time tutor in Hampton Sidney College and was licensed to preach in 1777. He first settled at Holston and later at Salem, Tennessee, where he built a small church, formed the Salem congregation and established a school, the first organized in the Mississippi valley west of the Alleghanies. It was incorporated in 1785 as Martin Academy, and in 1795 became Washington College, of which institution Rev. Doak was president until 1818. He then removed to Bethel, where he founded Tusculum College. He was known as "the apostle of learning and religion in the west." On the diploma which Samuel Doak received from Princeton University, and which is now in possession of one of his descendants, are the names of three of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

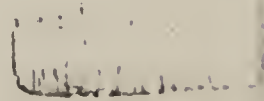
Dr. and Mrs. Marks are the parents of two children, Lawrence Doak and Virginia Bruce. The mother is a graduate of Vassar College. The military record of Dr. Marks covers a number of years' service as surgeon of the old Tenth Regiment of the National Guard. He is a splendid golfer and since young manhood has taken a pardonable pride in his excellence in billiards. He received the 1913 trophy in the Poughkeepsie golf

tournament and two years later was awarded the local billiard trophy. The circle of his friends is an extensive one, and he has long enjoyed high standing in both social and professional circles of his adopted city.

A. A. LEONIDOFF, M. D.

Dr. A. A. Leonidoff, a successful young physician of Poughkeepsie, is a Russian by birth and a former surgeon in the Russian Army. He was born in Saratov, Russia, February 25, 1894, a son of Alexander and Olga (Zaleski) Leonidoff, and is descended from an ancient Russian family. The father was a priest of the Russian Orthodox Church. His ancestors were landed proprietors who through the centuries figured prominently in affairs of church and government. The Zaleski family, too, were landed gentry and of ancient distinction. Two uncles of Dr. Leonidoff in the paternal line were professors in the St. Petersburg Academy of Theology. Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Leonidoff were the parents of five children, as follows: Alexander, Jr., who is a physician by profession; Boris, a veterinarian, who was formerly associate professor of the University of Saratov; Nicholas, who also studied medicine and was killed in action while serving as an officer in the Russian Army during the World war; A. A., of this review; and Olga, who was graduated from the Charkowska Conservatory and is an accomplished musician. The four sons of the family served as officers in the Russian Army at the time of the World war.

A. A. Leonidoff is the only member of his father's family who has emigrated to America. He pursued his education in the schools of Saratov and received his professional training in the medical department of the University of Moscow, from which he was graduated with the degree of M. D. in 1916. He entered the Russian Army as a medical officer, sustained a serious wound in the right leg and was invalided in the hospital. When again able to enter military service, in 1918, he served with Denikin in the White Army of loyal Russians against the Russian Reds.



He was one of the body of the White Army which was interned in Greece after the troops had retreated to that country. Later Dr. Leonidoff went to Bulgaria and spent three years as a government physician in the hospital near Sofia. In 1924 he crossed the Atlantic to the United States and after a stay of several months in New York city came to Poughkeepsie, where he has since remained and has built up an extensive and gratifying practice as a physician and surgeon. He has been a member of the staff of Bowne Memorial Hospital since his arrival in Poughkeepsie, is also serving on the staffs of Vassar and St. Francis hospitals and was formerly hospital physician at Mount McGregor, Saratoga county. Through his membership in the leading medical societies, as well as through broad reading and study, he keeps thoroughly informed concerning the latest scientific researches and discoveries. He enjoys deserved popularity in both social and professional circles of his community and has won favorable attention as a lecturer on Russia in New York city and in Poughkeepsie.

Dr. Leonidoff married Myzza A. Smiznova, who is deceased. Their daughter, Irena, born in 1920, is now a student at St. Mary's School of Peekskill, New York.

THOMAS FITZGERALD

Many of the business and financial executives in Albany are native sons who have profited by the excellent opportunities here offered for advancement and among the number is Thomas Fitzgerald, local manager of the National City Company. He was born April 3, 1876, of the marriage of Joseph and Mary T. (Hill) Fitzgerald, the latter a native of Ireland. The father has always lived in Albany and is now retired.

The advantages of a high school education were accorded Thomas Fitzgerald, whose first position was in the business department of The Times Union, an Albany newspaper, with which he spent eight years. In 1914 he entered the state controller's

office, with which he was connected for three years, and then became an employe of the National City Company. Three years later he tendered his resignation, having been made manager of the bond department of the New York State Bank of Albany, and acted in that capacity for three years. Afterward he was with Blair & Company for two years and in 1921 was elected city controller of Albany but resigned the office at the end of a year, when he was appointed first deputy state controller, serving during 1923 and 1924. He then returned to the National City Company as a salesman and after about four years was placed in charge of their Albany office, which he has managed since 1928. Capable, experienced and energetic, he is thoroughly qualified for the conduct of important financial interests and under his direction the business of the company in this city is steadily expanding.

On the 6th of November, 1916, Mr. Fitzgerald was married to Miss Agnes E. Graves, a daughter of C. Edwin and Mary A. (Kearney) Graves. Her father passed away in 1930 but the mother still resides in Albany, her native city. Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald have five children: Marie, a young girl of fourteen, and Ann, aged twelve years, both pupils in the Girls Academy of Albany; E. Edwin, a lad of nine, who is a student at the Boys Academy; Elizabeth, six years of age, who is attending Holy Name Academy; and Agnes, aged four years.

The residence of the family is at 483 State street, Albany, and Mr. Fitzgerald's office is in the Ten Eyck building. Both he and his wife adhere to the Roman Catholic faith and Mrs. Fitzgerald is active in religious and philanthropic work. She is a member of the State Welfare Commission and also of the Association of Catholic Charities. Fraternally Mr. Fitzgerald is identified with the Knights of Columbus and the Elks. His clubs are the Manhattan of New York city, Fort Orange, Schuyler Meadows, Albany Country and the Mohawk-Schenectady Country Clubs. He votes with the democratic party and formerly was alderman from the fifteenth ward. During the world conflict he served on the war loan committee as well as on other local

committees and was active in the various drives instituted by the government at that time. In civic affairs he takes a prominent part as a member of the committee of education and the Albany Port Commission and as treasurer and a life trustee of the Albany Public Library. Thorough and conscientious, Mr. Fitzgerald has never undertaken a task unless he considered it worthy of his best efforts and his career has been marked by an orderly progression that has placed him with the leading business men of his city.

BERNARD F. CECIRE

Bernard F. Cecire is an able and successful representative of the legal profession in Poughkeepsie, where he has been actively engaged in practice during the past fifteen years, coming to this city from the eastern metropolis. He was born in the province of Salerno, Italy, May 20, 1880, his parents being Nicholas and Louise (Perrotti) Cecire, representatives of ancient Italian families who were especially noted in Salerno through many generations. Their members figured conspicuously in the many conflicts that have swept over Italy and were no less renowned in the arts of peace, for both the Cecire and Perrotti families have furnished clergymen, lawyers, physicians and educators. Both houses were well known even in the ancient day of the Caesars. It was in the year of his birth that the parents of Bernard F. Cecire emigrated to America and settled in New York. The family numbered three children, the two others being: Joseph, now a physician of Newark, New Jersey; and Mary.

Bernard F. Cecire supplemented his public school education by a course of study in the New York Preparatory School. His professional training was received in the New York Law School, from which he was graduated with the degree of LL. B. in 1902. During his student days he was employed as managing clerk with a large law firm, so that in addition to his college work he had the benefit of practical experience as well. He began prac-

tice in New York city as a member of the firm of Cecire, O'Brien & Caponigri, the last named being now a judge of the municipal court of New York. Fifteen years ago, as above stated, Mr. Cecire opened a law office in Poughkeepsie, where he has since continued in practice with splendid success, having been accorded a gratifying and steadily growing clientele. In no instance has his reading ever been confined to the limitations of the question at issue; it has gone beyond and compassed every contingency and provided not alone for the expected, but for the unexpected, which happens in the courts quite as frequently as out of them.

In early manhood Mr. Cecire married Henriette J. Gaede, daughter of Henry A. Gaede and a representative of a very old family of Hoboken, New Jersey. Fraternally he is affiliated with Progressive Lodge of the Independent Sons of Italy. He also has membership in the local bar association, and he is personally popular in all classes of society.

ELIJAH B. SMITH

Among the younger representatives of commercial activity in Albany is numbered Elijah B. Smith, who succeeded his father as president of the Surpass Chemical Company—a business closely associated with the textile industry. He was born in Cooperstown, Otsego county, New York, June 7, 1900, and is a son of Harry B. and Caroline (Fancher) Smith. Of English ancestry, he is the fifth in direct line of descent from James Smith, a maker of dyes. Henry, a son of James and Martha (Emmerson) Smith, was a native of England and remained in that country until his death, also devoting his attention to the color business. His wife was Mary Smith and they were the parents of Elijah B. Smith (I), who was born in Halifax, Yorkshire, England. Crossing the Atlantic in 1878, he settled in Amsterdam, New York, and there resided until his demise. His life was devoted to the dye business. His wife, Martha Boardman (Drake) Smith, who was also born in Halifax, passed away

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in England in 1899, while on a visit to her native land. Their son, Harry B. Smith, was born in Halifax, Yorkshire, November 16, 1872, and as a young man came with his parents to the United States. Like his forbears, he was a dyer and represented the fourth generation of the family in that line of business. In 1914 he formed the Surpass Chemical Company of Albany and served as its president until his death, which occurred April 14, 1928, when he was fifty-six years of age and at the zenith of his business career. He had membership in All Saints Episcopal Church and his political support was given to the republican party. Mrs. Smith was born in Amsterdam, New York, April 9, 1876, and resides in Albany. Her father, William Fancher, was a son of Stewart and Louise (Van Derezé) Fancher, who were natives of Holland and lived for a time in Schenectady, New York, where their son William was born. He became a mining engineer, maintaining his home in Amsterdam, and while sojourning in California he passed away. He married Caroline Van Woomer, who was also a native of Schenectady, and her demise occurred in Amsterdam, this state.

Their grandson, Elijah B. Smith, supplemented his public school education by attendance at the Albany Academy and also took a secretarial course in the Albany Business College. He then entered the service of the Surpass Chemical Company, and at the time of his father's death was vice president and a director of the company. In 1928 he was elected president, also becoming chairman of the board of directors, and in controlling the activities of this large concern he brings to bear the foresight, the sound judgment and administrative power which marked his father's business career. The company manufactures bleaching chemicals and dye stuff for textile goods, including silk, cotton and wool, and is classed with the foremost organizations of the kind in this part of the country. Five generations of the Smith family have engaged in the one line of business, attaining that degree of perfection which characterizes the work of master craftsmen, and their contribution to the development of the dyeing industry has been notable.

Mr. Smith was married June 6, 1926, to Miss Helen Mosmen, who was born in Albany and attended Holy Name Academy. She is a daughter of N. J. and Helen (Haufman) Mosmen, who reside in Albany, where the father is successfully engaged in business as a builder and contractor. Mr. Smith has membership in All Saints Episcopal Church and his wife is a communicant of St. Thomas Roman Catholic Church. She belongs to the Monday Musical Club and to other organizations composed exclusively of women. Mr. Smith is identified with the Kiwanis Club and in Masonry he has connection with Ancient City Lodge, No. 452, F. & A. M., and Bethlehem Lodge, No. 1096, F. & A. M. In outdoor life he finds recreation, particularly enjoying the sports of hunting and fishing. He is an adherent of the republican party and fulfills his duties and obligations as a citizen but has never sought political preferment. His interest centers in his business, which is located at 1254 Broadway and is steadily expanding under his progressive leadership.

DANIEL HENRY KRIEGER

Daniel Henry Krieger, a successful druggist of Poughkeepsie, represents the third generation of his family in this city to be actively engaged in business at the corner of Main and Perry streets, where his grandfather opened a store in 1844, eighty-seven years ago. He was born July 30, 1888, in the old Krieger home at the intersection of Main and Perry streets, his parents being Daniel and Catherine (Luther) Krieger, the former also a native of Poughkeepsie and a son of Daniel and Catherine (Hey) Krieger. Daniel Krieger, Sr., the paternal grandfather of Mr. Krieger of this review, was the first of the family to locate in Poughkeepsie and opened a grocery store and meat market at the corner of Main and Perry streets. To him and his wife were born the following children: Daniel, Catherine, Emma, George W., Jacob, Charles, Henry and William H. Of these, Jacob and Daniel succeeded their father in the grocery trade, and subse-

quently George and Charles acquired the interest of Jacob Krieger when the last named passed away, continuing the business under the firm name of Krieger Brothers. Daniel Krieger, the father of Daniel Henry Krieger, was an active participant in civic affairs, made a commendable record as alderman and otherwise manifested a helpful interest in the public life of the community. He was a leading member of Fallkill Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he served as trustee for a quarter of a century, and was also affiliated with the Masonic fraternity. He passed away in 1923, while the death of his wife occurred in 1922. Mrs. Catherine (Luther) Krieger came to America from Germany with her mother, together with three sisters and a brother, namely: Lena, who became the wife of Rev. Herman Berkemeier; Mary, who married George Boshart; Augusta, the wife of James Allen; and Martin, a printer.

Daniel H. Krieger, an only child, pursued a high school course in Poughkeepsie, graduating in 1906, and afterward entered the Albany College of Pharmacy, from which he was graduated in 1911. He was then employed in a drug establishment at Canajoharie, New York, until 1914, when he founded his present business, having since conducted a most up-to-date drug store in the corner building erected and occupied by his grandfather at Main and Perry streets in 1844. He carries a large and well selected line of drugs and druggists' sundries and is accorded a liberal patronage, enjoying an enviable reputation as a skilled pharmacist and an enterprising, progressive and thoroughly reliable business man.

Mr. Krieger was united in marriage to Miss Ida F. Weber, daughter of Edward and Emma (Fischer) Weber, of Kingston, New York. Mrs. Krieger is of French descent on her mother's side, her maternal grandmother bearing the maiden name of Ida Chastang. Her father, Edward Weber, has for many years owned and conducted a retail meat market in Kingston and is now one of the oldest merchants in point of continuous service to the trade of that city.

Mr. Krieger is a member of the Kiwanis Club and fraternally

is identified with the Masonic order, in which he has attained the thirty-second degree of the Scottish Rite. He belongs to Poughkeepsie Lodge, No. 266, F. & A. M., and to Fallkill Lodge, No. 297, Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is highly esteemed in both social and business circles of the community in which he has always lived, for the salient traits of his character are such as command respect and friendship.

JACOB FORST

In the development of Kingston's packing industry, Jacob Forst took a prominent part and throughout the period of his connection with the meat business he manifested the qualities of a leader, who erects the guide-post of progress and success. Born on the Rhine in Germany, in March, 1856, he was a son of Karl Forst, who was born in 1814 and became a dealer in cattle before his emigration to the United States. In 1872 he settled in Rondout, now a part of Kingston, and here engaged in the meat business for three years, retiring in 1875, at which time he removed to New York city. He married Barbara Myer, who died in 1878.

Jacob Forst acquired his education in Germany and was sixteen years of age when his parents came to America. He assisted his father in the conduct of the meat market at Rondout and at his retirement took over the enterprise, continuing it alone as a wholesale and retail dealer. At the age of twenty-four he began to handle the products of Armour & Company as a commission dealer, continuing on that basis for twenty-four years, at the end of which time the corporation made this a salaried position. He then resigned and engaged in the packing business for himself at 116 Abeel street. He remained at its head until his death on the 20th of September, 1918, at the age of sixty-two years, developing an industry of large proportions through fair dealing, close attention to detail, capable management and the sale of high-grade products. In 1922 the business

was incorporated under the name of the Jacob Forst Packing Co., Inc., with the following officers: Jacobina Forst, president; Max Forst, vice president; Bernard Forst, treasurer; and Henry Forst, secretary. In addition to the above named, the board of directors also includes Leon Forst and Sophie Davis, his other son and daughter. The plant has a large frontage on Abeel street, numbering from 100 to 144, and extends back to Dock street. About five hundred cars of stock are handled annually by the corporation. They have remodeled and added to their already large plant with alterations and additions completed in 1931, and it is now one of the most modern institutions of the kind in the east. They handle cattle, calves, hogs and sheep, all under the inspection of the government, and they have appropriately named their products the "Formost" brand, which is widely known. Their trucks, which are of the latest type, make deliveries within a radius of two hundred miles.

Jacob Forst married Jacobina Reiss, a native of Germany, in 1879. He was the father of five children, all of whom are natives of Kingston. Sophie, the only daughter, was born September 21, 1879, and on November 28, 1912, became the wife of Lewis S. Davis, who was engaged in the electrical contracting business in New York city, where he passed away August 6, 1924. Leon Forst, born June 20, 1881, graduated from the Columbia University Law School in 1902 and was admitted to the bar in 1902. He is a member of the New York County Lawyers Association, New York State Bar Association, American Bar Association, the Masons and other fraternal organizations. He married Antoinette Hahn of New York, and they have three children: Max, born February 9, 1886, attended the Ulster Academy and has always been identified with the packing business. He belongs to the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Bernard, born February 14, 1888, attended Ulster Academy and Spencer's Business College. He married Gabrielle Grober of Watervliet, New York, and they have one child. Bernard Forst is a thirty-second degree Mason and also an Elk. Henry Forst, the youngest son, was born January 9, 1891, was educated at the Ulster

Academy and took an engineering course at the Pratt Institute, and before he entered the packing business had considerable experience in engineering. In civic affairs he has been active as a member of the board of public works, becoming its secretary during the administration of Mayor Dempsey, and he is also a member of the Elks. He married Carolyn Oppenheimer and they have two children. The family attends the services of Emanuel Temple and contributes liberally toward its support.

Jacob Forst resided at 26 Abeel street, occupying the one home for thirty-four years. He belonged to the Cornell Hose Company, the Rondout Maennerchor, a singing society, the German Sick and Aid Society, the Knights and Ladies of Honor, the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In the work of Emanuel Temple he was keenly interested and served as president of its board for eighteen years. His political allegiance was given to the democratic party and on its ticket he was elected alderman of the sixth ward, occupying the office for two years. He was also almshouse commissioner and was always ready to cooperate in plans and projects for the general good, manifesting his public spirit in many tangible ways. His life was replete with acts of kindness and charity and he had a wide circle of steadfast friends, who esteemed him highly for his personal worth as well as for what he accomplished in business.

HENRY R. BRIGHAM

Henry R. Brigham, senior member of the firm of Brigham Brothers, widely known as brick manufacturers, also has official connection with two large banking institutions and has long been a central figure on the stage of activity in Kingston, his native city. He was born August 3, 1859, a son of Elisha and Isabella Mary (Nichols) Brigham, and in the paternal line is of Revolutionary war stock. His father, one of Kingston's leading business men and influential citizens, was called to his final rest in

1901 and was long survived by the mother, who passed away April 3, 1927, at the venerable age of ninety-five years. More extended mention of the family is made elsewhere in this work in connection with the sketch of William H. Brigham.

In the acquirement of an education Henry R. Brigham attended the public schools and Kingston Academy and was a student at Colgate College for a year. After leaving that institution he went to Logansport, Indiana, as an accountant for the Eel River Railroad and a year later became connected with the Wabash Railroad, working for six months in the office of the purchasing agent at Toledo, Ohio. He returned to Kingston and was elected secretary of the Hudson River Cement Company, with which he remained for ten years, or until the business was sold by his father, who was the founder and head of the concern. Afterward Henry R. Brigham was engaged in the commission business for fifteen years, selling the products of A. J. Snyder & Sons. In 1891 he joined his brother, William H. Brigham, in the manufacture of brick under the style of Brigham Brothers, who later opened a second yard. In 1906 they installed the second steam dryer equipment in the Hudson River Valley and have ever been animated by the spirit of progress. They have a model institution with a capacity of forty million brick annually, and in normal times they employ about two hundred and twenty-five men. Great care is exercised in the making of their product, which is unexcelled in quality, and they market their brick in New York and New Jersey. At first they conducted two stores in conjunction with the brickyards but after five years closed the second one, which was at Creek Locks, and have only the original store in East Kingston. Here they have built docks and the work of loading is also facilitated by the use of improved machinery. Brigham Brothers have greatly increased the scope of the undertaking and have always been governed by those high principles which have made the name of Brigham synonymous with integrity and fair dealing in commercial circles of this part of the country. Henry R. Brigham is treasurer of the New York and New Jersey Common Brick Association, which has its head-

quarters in New York city, and in financial circles he figures prominently as vice president of the State of New York National Bank and the Ulster County Savings Institution. His plans are well formulated and have their basis in clear vision and mature judgment. For eighteen years he has owned a tract of one hundred and seventy acres, known as the Glenhurst Stock Farm, and here he maintained a dairy until 1925, specializing in high grade Guernsey cows. He now raises poultry and has a large flock of chickens, comprising three thousand white leghorns. The eggs are sold to families throughout the district and in the summer he supplies the hotels and the tourist trade in the mountains. From time to time he has added to his equipment, which is thoroughly modern, and the farm is under the direct supervision of his son, Harold S., who is a capable manager.

On the 4th of October, 1882, Mr. Brigham was married to Miss Sarah Sparling, a native of Kingston and a daughter of Derrick W. Sparling, now deceased. Her father was a member of one of the old Dutch families of New York and a well known attorney. Harold S., the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Brigham, was born September 28, 1883, and obtained his higher education in Columbia University. In addition to managing the Glenhurst Stock Farm he is associated with his father and uncle in the manufacture of brick and is aiding in the conduct and development of the business. He belongs to the Rotary Club and is greatly interested in the constructive work of the organization. On the 11th of October, 1906, he was married in Kingston to Miss Charlotte Rouse, whose parents resided in Greene county, New York, for many years and are now deceased. The children of this marriage are four in number, Helen L., Evelyn, Henry R. (II) and Isabella M.

Mr. Brigham has been a trustee of the First Baptist Church for many years and is now president of the board. His father and mother were also earnest, helpful members of this church and his maternal grandfather, Reuben Nichols, was one of its founders. Elisha Brigham was a man of marked public spirit and was a member of the Kingston school board for a quarter of

a century, serving as its president for a number of years. His son, Henry R. Brigham, has also been active in civic affairs, serving on the local board of education for eight years, and during the Canfield administration was a member of the board of public works for four years. At 729 Broadway he erected one of the finest residences in Kingston and here he has resided for thirty-five years. The old home next door, the place of his birth, has been remodeled and transformed into a modern building containing five apartments. Mr. Brigham has manifested his loyalty and devotion to his city by effective efforts in its behalf. His standards of life are high and at all points in his career he has followed a course which reflects credit upon an honored family name.

EMMET G. LAVERY

Emmet G. Lavery, city editor of the Sunday Courier of Poughkeepsie, is a well known and successful representative of journalistic interests in this part of the state and also active in civic affairs as president of the board of aldermen of his city. He is a popular young native son of Poughkeepsie, born November 8, 1902, his parents being James A. and Katherine (Gilmar-tin) Lavery. His paternal grandparents, Hugh and Margaret (McGinnis) Lavery, were natives of Ireland who emigrated to the United States and took up their abode among the early settlers of Poughkeepsie, New York. Their family numbered eight children, namely: James A., deceased; Hugh; Frank; John, who studied for the priesthood and who is now also deceased; Joseph; Edward; Charles; and Thomas, who is assistant district attorney of Dutchess county. James A. Lavery, the father of Emmet G. Lavery, was prominently known in the newspaper world, for he had been connected in a reportorial capacity with several New York journals and in fact had filled almost every position on a newspaper staff when he became editor of the Sunday Enquirer. He also made a creditable record as civil service commissioner

under Governor William Sulzer in 1914. He passed from this life December 15, 1922, leaving two sons: Emmet G., of this review; and Paul B., who is a student at Columbia University.

Emmet G. Lavery pursued the high school course in Poughkeepsie and afterward entered the Fordham Law School, from which he was graduated with the degree of LL. B. in 1924. Prior to taking up the study of law, however, he had become interested in newspaper work with the Eagle News and on the completion of his law course he assumed the city editorship of the Sunday Courier of Poughkeepsie. He has since continued in this capacity and has proved himself splendidly qualified for the position, manifesting the genius for journalism which so strongly characterized his father. He belongs to the bar associations and, as already indicated, has taken an active part in public affairs of his native city. He was elected an alderman in 1929, was chosen president of the council in the same year and has also at times, during the absence of the mayor, served as acting mayor.

Mr. Lavery married Miss Genevieve Drislane, daughter of David and Elizabeth (Ellis) Drislane. Her father's people represent an old family of Tarrytown, while the Ellis family has lived in Brooklyn for several generations. Mr. and Mrs. Lavery are the parents of two children, Emmet G., Jr., and Deborah Lavery.

JOSEPH A. DAUGHTON

Joseph A. Daughton, a public official of high standing, is serving for the fourth term as clerk of Dutchess county and is one of Poughkeepsie's self-made men. He was born in this city February 5, 1872, a son of John and Winifred (Moran) Daughton, who were natives of Ireland. They were married in the United States and shortly afterward established their home in Poughkeepsie. Seven children were born to them: Michael, Thomas, James, John, William, Joseph and Mary A.

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tended parochial and public schools of Poughkeepsie and at the early age of fourteen laid aside his text books to become a wage earner, obtaining work in a rolling mill. Later he was janitor of an office building occupied chiefly by attorneys and while thus employed he determined to qualify for a legal career. Accordingly he began the study of law in the office of Henry M. Taylor, afterward reading under the supervision of Hackett & Williams, prominent attorneys of Poughkeepsie. He was admitted to the bar and practiced successfully in this city until he was appointed deputy clerk of Dutchess county. He acted in that capacity until 1921, when he was the successful candidate for county clerk, and at the end of each term he has been reelected. For ten years he has occupied the office, performing his duties in a manner that has elicited strong commendation.

Mr. Daughton was united in marriage to Miss Lillian Cavanaugh. A broad-minded man, Mr. Daughton looks at significant questions from a rational standpoint and reaches his conclusions after hard and logical thinking. He is an interesting conversationalist and a forceful, eloquent orator. He became the first life member of the local lodge of Elks, of which he is a past exalted ruler. He served for fourteen years on the Poughkeepsie Board of Education and is a strong advocate of all that he deems vital to the welfare and progress of his city, in which he is widely known and highly esteemed.

FRANCIS T. MURRAY

Since his admission to the bar Francis T. Murray has successfully followed his profession in Kingston, his native city. Born July 23, 1899, he is a son of Thomas J. Murray and a grandson of Peter Murray, who was a native of Ireland but left that country during his boyhood. Coming to the United States about the year 1835, he settled in Kingston and here resided until his death in 1904. Thomas J. Murray was born in this city January 8, 1856, and as a young man joined the Kingston police

force, with which he continued for over a quarter of a century. He devoted much of his time to detective work and is now living retired in Kingston. He married Mary E. Hallinan, a native of this city and a daughter of Cornelius Hallinan, who was born in County Clare, Ireland. When a young man he allied his interests with those of Kingston, entering the field of contracting, and built some of the early roads and sewers of the city. He served as an alderman for some years and labored effectively to further the advancement of the city of his adoption. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Murray became the parents of eight children: Mary E., who is Mrs. Neal Jorpolen, of New York city; Ann C., who is the wife of Charles Arthur, a post office employe in New York city; Ella, who married William J. Campbell, of Washington, D. C.; Katherine, a teacher in the elementary schools of Kingston; Joseph A., who is connected with the Brooklyn (N. Y.) office of Warner Brothers, vitaphone producers; Elizabeth, who is attending a training school for nurses in New York city; Agnes R., who is engaged in secretarial work in Kingston; and Francis T.

Francis T. Murray was graduated from the Kingston high school as a member of the class of 1917 and while attending Fordham College in New York city he joined the Students Army Training Corps, serving until the fall of 1918, when he received an honorable discharge. He was at home for a time and then re-entered Fordham College, completing his course in 1923, when he received the degree of LL. B. In the following year he was admitted to the bar of New York state and located for general practice in Kingston. At first he was alone and then formed a connection with Andrew J. Cook, continuing this association for three years. On the 15th of September, 1930, he was appointed district attorney to fill out the unexpired term of Frederick G. Traver, which ended December 31, 1930.

On the 27th of April, 1929, Mr. Murray was married to Miss Marion D. Kelly, a daughter of John J. and Marion Kelly, of Kingston. Mr. and Mrs. Murray have a daughter, Natalie Ann, born January 12, 1930. They are communicants of the Roman

Catholic Church and Mr. Murray belongs to the Knights of Columbus, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the American Legion. He finds his recreation in outdoor sports and particularly enjoys tennis. His talents, natural and acquired, have carried him forward in his profession, while his personal attributes are such as inspire esteem and friendship.

JOHN F. EIGHMIE

John F. Eighmie, a direct descendant in the paternal line of the first white child born in Dutchess county, is a worthy native son of this county and highly esteemed citizen of Poughkeepsie, where he has been successfully engaged in the undertaking business for more than a quarter of a century. He was born October 18, 1851, a son of Albert and Lydia (Jones) Eighmie and a representative of an honored old family of Dutchess county which was among the first to settle in the clove at Unionvale. His paternal grandparents were Lawrence and Margaret Eighmie, whose family numbered seven children: John, Morgan, Sturgis, Mary, Matilda, Betsy and Albert. The last named, as already indicated, married Miss Lydia Jones, and had a family of five children, two daughters and three sons, as follows: Matilda, who married George Dedrick; Martha; John F., of this review; Frederick, deceased, who was a well known boatman engaged in river traffic for a number of years; and Chauncey, who has also passed away.

John F. Eighmie was reared on the old family homestead and attended the little red schoolhouse of the neighborhood in the acquirement of an education. He assisted in the work of the home farm until he had attained his majority and then entered upon an apprenticeship to the blacksmith's trade with his brother-in-law, George Dedrick, a popular smithy of that period. About 1883 he took up his permanent abode in Poughkeepsie and for about four years thereafter he worked at blacksmithing. He was next employed in a large livery barn in the capacity of fore-

man for ten years, while subsequently he was in the service of the late Harry Selfridge in the undertaking business for a similar period. It was in 1905 that he embarked in the undertaking business on his own account at 400 Main street, and two years later he purchased his present building at 322 Mill street, where he has since conducted handsomely equipped funeral parlors. He has won well deserved success as a mortician, and his patrons have felt that the service which he renders leaves nothing to be desired. One of the representative business men and venerable citizens of Poughkeepsie, he has gained an extensive circle of warm friends during his lifetime of eighty years and is beloved by all classes.

In early manhood Mr. Eighmie was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth Hartwell, a native of the town of Dover and a daughter of Daniel and Maria (Whaley) Hartwell. They are the parents of a son and a daughter: Frank, who married Ida Triller; and Mabel, who is the wife of Ernest Sweet and the mother of two sons, Richard and George. Mr. Eighmie is a consistent member of the Methodist Church and is also identified with the Masons, the Loyal Order of Moose, the Shepherds of Bethlehem and other organizations.

ABRAM P. LE FEVRE

Business and financial progress in New Paltz received marked impetus from the well directed labors of Abram P. Le Fevre, a man of strong character and firm purpose, who carried forward to completion whatever he undertook. He exerted his efforts as readily for the general good as for his own aggrandizement, serving well his community and state. He was born July 1, 1865, and represented one of the oldest families of this district, tracing his descent in a direct line to Simon Le Fevre, one of the twelve original patentees of New Paltz. Josiah P. Le Fevre, another ancestor, was long active in the state militia, becoming in succession lieutenant, lieutenant colonel and colonel of

the Ninety-sixth Regiment of the New York National Guard. He was called to public office, serving as town assessor for nine years and as a supervisor for a considerable period. The grandfather, Abram P. Le Fevre (I), was born in Kettleboro, Ulster county, and in his youth acquired land near Clintondale, in the same county, where he engaged in farming throughout the remainder of his life. He married Margaret Jensen and they had a family of seven children. Their son, Solomon Le Fevre, also followed agricultural pursuits, owning and cultivating a farm which comprised one hundred and forty-five acres of fertile land. He married Sarah Elting, a daughter of Roelif Elting, and their children were: Marguerite, the widow of James Hasbrouck, who died in Maryland; and Abram P. (II).

The son was born on the old homestead at Jenkintown, in the township of New Paltz, and obtained his early instruction in the New Paltz Academy, completing his education in the Union Springs Academy. Like his forbears, he was a tiller of the soil, owning a valuable farm of fifty-six acres. In 1891 he became a dealer in lumber, coal and feed, starting on a small scale, and with the passing years the business steadily grew until it was classed with the largest enterprises of the kind in Ulster county. As a merchant he was alert, energetic and reliable and manifested keen discernment in the development of his interests. He was a director of the Lowe Brick Company and also had banking interests of importance, becoming recognized as a shrewd, far-sighted financier. He was a trustee of the New Paltz Savings Bank and on the 9th of July, 1912, was elected a director of the Huguenot National Bank of New Paltz, becoming its vice president January 1, 1919.

On the 29th of September, 1886, Mr. Le Fevre was married to Miss Emma Vanderlyn, a daughter of Henry Vanderlyn, of New Paltz, and of Dutch descent, her ancestors serving in the Revolutionary Army, and she is a Daughter of the American Revolution. Mr. and Mrs. Le Fevre became the parents of two children, Jay and Bertha H. Jay Le Fevre was born in New Paltz, September 6, 1893, attended the village school and a pre-

paratory school at Lawrenceville, New Jersey, afterward pursuing a course of study in Dartmouth College. At New Paltz he enlisted in the United States Army and was in training at Camp Taylor near Louisville, Kentucky. He was commissioned a second lieutenant in the field artillery. He was mustered out December 23, 1918, at the end of six months' service, and returned to New Paltz, where he joined his father in business. He is secretary of the local board of the State Normal School, a trustee of the New Paltz Savings Bank, a member of the Holland Society and the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity of Dartmouth College. On the 3d of January, 1920, he married Miss Mildred Hiltebrant, who was born in Kingston, New York, where her parents, John and Mary Hiltebrant, still reside. By her marriage she has become the mother of three children: Elaine, who was born March 3, 1921; Jay Abram, born February 10, 1925; and John Hiltebrant, born May 14, 1927. The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abram P. Le Fevre became the wife of Eugene B. Denniston, who passed away in 1925. She resides in New Paltz and has one child, Philip, who was born in June, 1923. Mr. Denniston was identified with the firm of A. P. Le Fevre & Son.

This business was started in 1891 with one employe, and at first but one horse was needed in making deliveries. The firm now has two teams and four automobile trucks and employs twelve men. The latest and best machinery has been installed in the plant, which is modern throughout and has spur track connections, affording excellent facilities for loading. At his father's death Jay Le Fevre became manager of the business and under his progressive and capable direction its continued growth and prosperity are assured.

Abram P. Le Fevre was a deacon and elder of the Dutch Reformed Church and a member of the Holland Society for many years. He cooperated heartily in all movements for the advancement of his community along material, moral and cultural lines and was a member of the local board of trustees of the State Normal School at New Paltz. For many years he served as president of the village and for several terms occupied the office

of supervisor. From 1913 until 1916 he was a member of the state legislature and his personal popularity is indicated in the fact that he was never defeated in politics. He was untiring in his efforts to advance the general welfare and the spirit of helpfulness was manifest throughout his life, which was replete with acts of kindness and charity. Success in substantial measure was his, but he won more than that—the esteem and affection of all with whom he was associated—and many years will come and go ere the memory of Abram P. Le Fevre ceases to be an inspiring influence in the lives of those who knew him. As a mark of respect all schools and business houses in New Paltz were closed during his funeral, which was the largest ever held here, and during the services the Dutch Reformed Church had the largest assemblage in its history.

GEORGE WORRALL

George Worrall is well known to the residents of Poughkeepsie for he is a veteran lawyer of the city and is numbered among its native sons. Of English lineage, he is a grandson of William H. Worrall, who was born near Birmingham, in Warwickshire, in 1818 and when a young man came to the United States, settling on a farm in Dutchess county, New York. His wife, Mary (Garner) Worrall, was of English descent and they had a family of nine children: John, Thomas, George, Isaac, Robert, Benjamin, Sarah, Mary and Elizabeth. Of these Benjamin married Margaret Farley, a native of Toronto, Ontario, Canada, and they were the parents of ten children: William, George, Victoria, Charlotte, Mary, Thomas, Elizabeth and three who died in infancy. The daughters Mary and Charlotte taught school in Dutchess county and the son Thomas entered the Episcopal ministry.

George Worrall, the second son, attended the public schools of Poughkeepsie and while employed in the office of Frank P. Lown, a prominent attorney, he studied law. With his admis-

sion to the bar he entered upon his career as a lawyer and for several years was title counsel for the Title Guaranty & Trust Company of New York. Later he served as assessor of Poughkeepsie and as corporation counsel. Aside from his duties in public office, he has always given his attention to the practice of law and is held in high esteem by his associates in the profession by reason of his close conformity to its ethical standards and his broad grasp of legal science. He has been retained as an attorney in many important cases and his clientele is large and desirable.

Mr. Worrall was married to Miss Mary Lake, a daughter of Hewlett and Jane (Du Bois) Lake, and they have one child, Jane, now the wife of Clifford Nuhn. The family are Episcopalians in religious faith and Mr. Worrall is a vestryman of St. Paul's Church. His Masonic affiliations are with the lodge, chapter and council. He has long occupied an enviable place in legal circles of Poughkeepsie and his professional connections are with the Dutchess County, New York State and American Bar associations. He is a trustee of the Adriance Memorial Library and his deep and abiding affection for his city prompts his earnest efforts in its behalf. His grandparents lived in the Glebe house, a colonial mansion which at one time served as a Protestant rectory and is still standing on Main street. Mr. Worrall has an intimate knowledge of Poughkeepsie's history and from the storehouse of memory he relates many interesting reminiscences of the early days.

HON. BERNARD A. CULLOTON

Well equipped for the exacting work of his profession, the Hon. Bernard A. Culloton has made rapid progress therein and at the age of thirty-three years is serving as municipal judge of Kingston, his native city, meeting every requirement of the office. He was born May 19, 1897, and is a son of Bernard Culloton, a native of County Monahan, Ireland. As a young man the father

crossed the Atlantic in the hope of bettering his fortune in America, settling in Kingston, New York. Here he opened a general store, which he conducted successfully for many years, and remained a resident of the city until his death in 1902. He married Anna Dippold, who was born in New York city, where her father was long engaged in business. A native of Germany, he came to Kingston when a youth of seventeen and followed the occupation of a boot and shoemaker for some time. In later life he conducted a hotel in this city and here passed away at the venerable age of eighty-four years. By her marriage his daughter Anna became the mother of six children: Anna and Mary, who are living in New York city; Helen G. and Bernard A., residents of Kingston; Leo J., who is engaged in road contracting in Kingston; and Margaret, who is the wife of James V. Hal-loran, of Kingston, and has two children, James V., Jr., and Margaret.

After attending the public schools and Ulster Academy, Hon. Bernard A. Culloton matriculated in St. John's College, and Fordham University of New York city, from which he received the degree of A. B. in 1923. Later he entered the law school of Fordham University and won his LL. B. degree in 1928. Admitted to the bar in January, 1929, he began his career as an attorney in Kingston, where he engaged in general practice for a short time, and in November, 1929, was elected city judge for a term of four years. He closely studies each case brought before his tribunal, giving an impartial hearing to both defendant and prosecutor, and tempers justice with mercy.

On the 6th of August, 1928, Judge Culloton was married to Miss Alice Alsheimer, a native of New York city and a graduate of Lady Cliff Academy at Highland Falls, New York. They have a daughter, Elizabeth Anne, who was born May 4, 1929.

During the World war Judge Culloton enlisted at Kingston and was in training at Camp Jackson at Columbia, South Carolina, when the armistice was signed. Later he was sent to Camp Dix, New Jersey, where he was mustered out of the service in January, 1919, and returned to his native city. He is now serv-

ing as president of the Chamber of Commerce, and belongs to Kingston Post, No. 150, of the American Legion, to the Kiwanis Club, the Izaak Walton League, the Knights of Columbus and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He is a strong advocate for the Boy Scouts of America and champions all movements which tend to advance the standards of American citizenship. In athletic sports he is keenly interested and at Fordham was a pitcher for the baseball team and later played professional baseball for three years as a pitcher for the Pittsburgh team of the National League. His physical and mental powers are well developed, and in view of what he has already accomplished, he is destined to go far in a profession which demands keen intelligence as well as the capacity for work—qualities with which he is liberally endowed.

CHARLES ADRIANCE HOPKINS

With broad experience as an attorney and counselor, Charles Adriance Hopkins has become widely known in legal circles of Poughkeepsie, where he has practiced continuously since his admission to the bar. He was born in East Fishkill, New York, October 20, 1864, and dates his ancestry in this country from the time of the landing of the Mayflower. His great-grandfather, Benjamin Hopkins, was born in North Castle, Westchester county, New York, and was the first of the family to settle in Dutchess county, removing here during the period of the Revolutionary war. His son, John Hopkins, was born in Fishkill and followed the occupation of farming. He also had shipping interests, owning a boat called the William Young, which in the early days carried passengers from Chelsea to New York city and other points along the Hudson river. He married Mary Brill, of Beacon, Dutchess county, where her forbears had resided for generations. They were among the colonial settlers of the Hudson River Valley. John and Mary (Brill) Hopkins were the parents of a son, Benjamin Hopkins, who was also a native of Fish-



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kill. His wife, who bore the maiden name of Margaret Lasher, was a daughter of Jacob Lasher and a member of an old family of Germantown, Columbia county, New York. Of the children born to Benjamin Hopkins, nine are now living. These include six by his marriage to Margaret Lasher, namely: Charles Adriance, Benjamin, Harry W., George S., Mary, and Edith. The others are John G., Sarah and Loda, by a former marriage.

Charles A. Hopkins obtained his early education in the common schools of Stormville, New York, and this was supplemented by a course in the Eastman Business College at Poughkeepsie. His law studies were pursued while working in the office of Hackett & Williams, prominent attorneys of Poughkeepsie, and in November, 1885, he was admitted to the bar. He chose this city as the scene of his professional labors and has practiced here for forty-six years, successfully handling many important law cases during that period. To the solution of intricate legal problems he brings an alert, well trained mind and a broad grasp of the fundamental principles of jurisprudence. He is regarded as a wise counselor and as an advocate he is logical, forceful and convincing.

Mr. Hopkins was married to Miss Mary E. Stewart, a daughter of Walter and Elizabeth (Jones) Stewart. The two sons of this marriage are Frank S. and Ralph A., both of whom are graduates of Cornell University. The former is following the profession of a civil engineer, and during the World war he went to France with the Twenty-third Engineers, was made a sergeant of his company, and received a citation from General Pershing for conspicuous gallantry in action. The son Ralph was admitted to the bar. He married Miss Mary Haines.

A stanch democrat, Charles A. Hopkins has been unswerving in his allegiance to the principles of his party. It has honored him with political preferment and in turn he has honored his party by splendid service in office. From 1892 until 1896 he was justice of the peace of Poughkeepsie, and on the 1st of January, 1908, assumed the duties of surrogate of Dutchess county, continuing in that capacity for six years. He was also nominated

for other offices, including that of county judge, and went down to honored defeat with the rest of his ticket. Mr. Hopkins has just been appointed by Governor Roosevelt to the board of managers of the Hudson River State Hospital for the Insane at Poughkeepsie, New York. He belongs to the National Democratic Club of New York city, to the Amrita Club, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Knights of Pythias, the Triune Lodge of Masons, and the Dutchess County Bar Association. Thoroughly appreciative of his responsibilities as a lawyer, he has at all times been dominated by high principles and a keen sense of duty, following a course which reflects credit and honor upon the profession which he represents.

WILLIAM F. LEAHEY

That William F. Leahey has entered a field of endeavor well suited to his talents is indicated in his progress as a lawyer and his prominence as a member of the Poughkeepsie bar. He was born in this city November 3, 1893, and is a son of William J. Leahey, also a native of Poughkeepsie. The grandparents, Jeremiah and Margaret (Quinn) Leahey, were born in County Tipperary, Ireland, and came to America about the year 1851, settling in Poughkeepsie soon afterward. For many years William J. Leahey was a well known figure in the industrial life of his city, serving as president of the Dutchess Manufacturing Company and developing a business of large proportions. He married Ida Croshier and they became the parents of four children: Joseph M., engaged in the practice of law in New York city; Mary Agnes, who is a graduate of Mount St. Vincent's College and follows the profession of teaching; Margaret Ann; and William F.

The last named mastered the branches of learning taught in the local schools and his higher education was acquired in Fordham College, from which he received the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1916 and that of Bachelor of Laws in 1921. His studies were

interrupted by service in the World war and when mustered out he was a lieutenant in the field artillery. After his admission to the bar he located in New York city, becoming identified with the legal department of a large insurance company, and following his return to Poughkeepsie he formed a partnership with Percy G. Gellert, with whom he has been associated since 1924. They are located at the northeast corner of Main and Washington streets and have a lucrative practice.

Reared in the Catholic faith, Mr. Leahey has always adhered thereto and fraternally he is identified with the Germania Lodge of Elks and with the Knights of Columbus. In the latter organization his father held the office of trustee and he was also a director of the Fallkill National Bank and a member of the school board. The son is connected with the Fordham Alumni Association, the Fordham Club of New York city, the Dutchess County Bar Association and the New York State Bar Association. He gives to his profession his undivided attention and owes his advancement to his untiring energy, his correct application of legal principles and his ability to present his contention in the strongest possible light.

JOSEPH MANNING CLEVELAND, M. D.

The welfare of others was paramount with Dr. Joseph Manning Cleveland, of Poughkeepsie, a distinguished psychiatrist, whose life was rich in accomplishment and in service to his fellowmen. He was responsible for the movement that led to the establishment of the Hudson River State Hospital and became its first directing head—a position which he held for many years. Born in Newbury, Massachusetts, in July, 1824, he was of English extraction and the seventh in line of descent from Moses Cleveland, whose surname signifies cliff land. The early ancestors of Dr. Cleveland lived in York, England, and the name Johannes de Clyveland appears on the poll tax for Yorkshire in the year 1379.

Moses Cleveland, the American progenitor of the family, came to this country from Ipswich, Suffolk county, England, in 1635 and settled in Woburn, Massachusetts. He married Ann Wynne and a son, Josiah Cleveland, was born to them at Woburn. As a young man the latter removed to Canterbury and subsequently established his home in Chelmsford, Massachusetts. His wife was Mary Bates and their son, Josiah Cleveland, Jr., was born at Chelmsford, October 7, 1690. He married Abigail Payne, a daughter of Elisha and Rebecca (Doane) Paine, and ten children, six sons and four daughters, were born to them.

Their son, John Cleveland, born April 11, 1722, completed his education in Yale University and became a minister of the gospel. He was a soldier in the early French and Indian wars. At Ipswich, Massachusetts, he married Mary Dodge, a daughter of Parker and Mary (Choate) Dodge. His second wife was Mrs. Mary (Neal) Foster. By his first marriage he had nine children, of whom Nehemiah was born at Ipswich, August 26, 1760. During the Revolutionary war he served in the company of which his father was chaplain, and subsequently he studied medicine. On the 6th of October, 1787, he married Lucy Manning, a daughter of John and Lucy (Boles) Manning. For his second wife he chose Experience Lord, to whom he was married at Pomfret, Connecticut, July 1, 1792. She was a daughter of Dr. Elisha and Tamarson (Kimball) Lord and by her marriage she became the mother of a son, Nehemiah Cleveland, Jr., who was born at Topsfield, Massachusetts, August 16, 1796. In young manhood he married Abby Pickard Manning and his second wife was Katherine Atherton Means.

Dr. Joseph Manning Cleveland, a son of the first marriage, was early attracted to the medical profession by reason of the fact that both of his grandfathers were physicians, and after his graduation from Princeton University attended the New York Medical School, studying under the noted Drs. Joseph Smith, Gordon Buck and Byfield. Dr. Cleveland was graduated with the class of 1850 and was then appointed a member of the staff of the New York Hospital on Broadway—a connection that was

maintained for three years. He then joined his friend, Dr. Cornelius Agnew, in the medical care of twelve hundred miners at the Great Cliff mines on Lake Superior and on the termination of this service became first assistant to Dr. Gray, superintendent of the State Asylum at Utica, New York. While in that city he was also editor of the *American Journal of Insanity* and came rapidly to the fore as an alienist. He saw the need of additional facilities for the care of the insane and conceived a building program that would give the state an ample and modernized plant to fulfill its duty to these unfortunates. He prepared the details of the bill for the Hudson River State Hospital and worked for its passage in the legislature. At his suggestion the designation hospital was substituted for the term insane asylum. The selection of a site was left to him and he chose Poughkeepsie as the location. He spent several years in perfecting plans for the buildings, roads, waterworks system and other details. When the institution was finished Dr. Cleveland was placed in charge and remained at its head for more than a quarter of a century, retiring in 1893 with a notable record of achievement. An earnest and untiring student of mental diseases, he was constantly adding to his store of scientific knowledge and became recognized as one of the foremost psychiatrists of the country.

Dr. Cleveland was married to Miss Cornelia Frances Barculo, a daughter of the Hon. Seward and Cornelia A. (Talman) Barculo, and they were the parents of three children, one of whom, Barculo, is now deceased. Frederick Howland, engaged in the real estate business in Poughkeepsie, also has a productive farm in Dutchess county. He was the owner of a stable of fine Arabian steeds—which breed he has discontinued, the offspring of the pure Arabian horses given by the Arabs to General Grant on his tour around the world. The third son is Manning Cleveland, a Poughkeepsie realtor, whose sketch is published elsewhere in this work. Dr. Cleveland was called to his final rest January 21, 1907, when he was eighty-two years of age. Success and honors were his, each worthily won, and there is in his history an element of inspiration for others and an ex-

ample of high purpose, nobly achieved. Among the many tributes to his worth was the following, paid by the members of the Dutchess County Medical Society, who said in their memorial: "He is dead, but left a heritage of greater value than gold or precious stones—the example of a noble life well spent."

J. ADELBERT FULLER

As deputy commissioner for Ulster county J. Adelbert Fuller is prominently connected with the state department of social welfare and is also serving as justice of the peace at Saugerties—an office which he has occupied for six years. He was born August 19, 1861, in the town where he still resides, and through his grandmother in the paternal line he is descended from Daniel Webster, the noted American statesman, orator and lawyer. Cyrus Fuller, the father of J. Adelbert Fuller, was born in Connecticut in 1832 and came to Ulster county, New York, when a young man. He was a stone cutter—an occupation which he followed throughout life, passing away in 1913. His wife, Harriet (Shultis) Fuller, was born in Shandaken, Ulster county, in 1834 and was called to her final rest in 1912. They were the parents of two children. Frances, the daughter, was born in 1854 and is the widow of Edson Fruger. For many years he was superintendent of the book-binding department of the paper mill at Saugerties and died in 1914. He had become the father of two children: Harriet, who was engaged in teaching school and died in 1916; and Jeannette, who is the wife of J. W. MacKinnon, of Kingston, and has one child, Robert.

The son, J. Adelbert Fuller, acquired his education in the public schools of Saugerties and entered upon his independent business career in New York city, where he engaged in the manufacture of paper boxes for twenty years, winning a substantial measure of success. After returning to his native town he lived retired until 1920, when he became interested in child welfare work. In 1925 he was the successful candidate for the

office of justice of the peace, to which he was reelected in 1929 for another term of four years, and has made an enviable record in that connection. He is also doing excellent work as deputy commissioner for Ulster county, under the supervision of the state department of social welfare, old age division, to which position he was appointed October 1, 1930. In addition, he is serving as treasurer of the Saugerties Building & Loan Association, which he has represented in this capacity since 1920.

Judge Fuller was married October 21, 1881, to Sarah Rappleyea, who passed away in 1924. For his second wife he chose Mary E. Thompson, to whom he was married in New York city on the 6th of February, 1930. For fifteen years he has been a member of the Saugerties Club and he also belongs to Kingston Lodge, No. 550, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. During the World war period he was a member of the Home Guard and was also active in the Liberty Loan drives. For a half century he has been a zealous member of Trinity Church and has served as one of its vestrymen for sixteen years. Since age conferred upon him the right of franchise he has voted with the republican party and is active in both town and county politics. A man of marked public spirit and broad sympathies, Judge Fuller has been closely associated with those interests which make for civic progress and improvement and for the uplift of the individual and his influence for good has been strong and far-reaching.

MANNING CLEVELAND

Poughkeepsie has directly benefited by the activities of Manning Cleveland, who has accomplished much as a city builder and has also filled important public offices. He was born in Poughkeepsie, February 12, 1880, and is a son of the late Dr. Joseph Manning Cleveland, whose biographical record appears elsewhere in this work. The mother bore the maiden name of Cornelia Frances Barculo.

Liberal educational advantages were accorded Manning Cleveland, who attended the Riverview Military Academy and studied law at the University of Wisconsin in Madison. However, he did not enter the legal profession, choosing a commercial career instead, and in 1903, when a young man of twenty-three, he made his initial venture in the real estate field, in which he has continued for twenty-eight years with gratifying success. With but two exceptions, the entire block of buildings on the east side of Academy street were erected by Mr. Cleveland, who made further contribution to Poughkeepsie's development and improvement by constructing the Flatiron building at Main and Church streets in 1910. He has also remodeled many buildings and closely studies every question bearing upon the business, so that he is able to meet every contingency and give a definite decision upon any point of construction. Moreover, he knows the worth of all property in this locality and has negotiated many important transfers of real estate. He is one of the largest operators in the city and in development projects he has ever looked beyond the exigencies of the moment to the needs and the possibilities of the future.

On the 23d of October, 1903, Mr. Cleveland was married at Fishkill Landing, New York, to Miss Nora Orr and seven children were born to them, namely: Helen Cornelia, Isobel May, Manning, Jr., Paul, who died in infancy, Marion, Raymond, and Shirley Barculo. The eldest son is married and has one child, Manning III.

Since age conferred upon him the right of franchise Mr. Cleveland has been a strong democrat, never wavering in his allegiance to the party, for he believes that its platform contains the best elements of government for the majority. Through appointment of the late President Wilson he was deputy United States marshal for this district during the World war period and he was also deputy sheriff under the noted Bob Chanler. With the enforcement of the law in Poughkeepsie, Mr. Cleveland was likewise prominently identified as a member of the board of police commissioners and manifested the fearlessness, the energy

and keen sense of duty and honor which characterized all of his public service. Enterprising, capable and farsighted in the management of his individual interests, he has progressed with the city and at one time was engaged in the transportation business, owning the first taxicab line operated in Poughkeepsie. Correctly understanding life's values and purposes, he has played well his part and stands deservedly high in the esteem of his fellowmen.

HAROLD LEIGH FRACKELTON

Harold Leigh Frackelton, who is one of the officers of the Shafer Construction Company of Poughkeepsie and has charge of its engineering work, was born in Minneapolis, Minnesota, April 10, 1890. His father, D. S. Frackelton, was born near Salem, Illinois, in the southern part of that state, where his forbears had settled in the early days, and is a graduate of the University of Illinois and the University of Michigan. He was chosen president of his class (1882), Michigan Alumni Association and is now filling the office. He is regarded as one of the foremost attorneys of Flint, Michigan, and has served as probate judge. He married Margaret Sheehy, whose father, Cornelius Sheehy, was one of the executives of the Canadian Pacific Railroad Company, and three sons were born to them: W. E., general agent for the Michigan Central Railroad Company at Detroit; Ralph, a Michigan graduate, is now taking postgraduate work at Harvard; and Harold Leigh.

The last named was a pupil in the grammar and high schools of Fenton and obtained his higher education in the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, where he was graduated in 1912 with the degree of Civil Engineer. He then became an employe of the J. G. White Company and later was with the Detroit Edison Company. Enlisting for service in the World war, he was commissioned a captain in the coast artillery at Fortress Monroe, Virginia, and was on active duty in France. With his return to

the life of a civilian he joined the engineering force of the Austin Construction Company and later came to Poughkeepsie as field engineer for the Central Hudson Company. In 1926 he became a partner in the W. A. Shafer Construction Company and is now its vice president and the directing head of the engineering department of this concern, which specializes in grading and excavation work. Many large projects of this character have been successfully handled by the company, which excels in this line of construction work and is kept constantly busy.

Mr. Frackelton was married to Miss Eleanor Patterson, a daughter of Z. D. Patterson, of Poughkeepsie, and they have one child, Robert. Mr. Frackelton belongs to the Masonic fraternity and his religious views are in harmony with the doctrines of the Presbyterian Church, which he regularly attends. Experience has taught him practical knowledge, while wide reading has augmented his technical training, enabling him to find a ready and correct solution for all difficult professional problems, and what he has accomplished represents the fit utilization of his innate powers and talents.

ALBERT CLARK OGDEN

Enterprising and forceful, Albert Clark Ogden has long occupied a place of prominence in commercial circles of Middletown as a dealer in milk—a business which has claimed his attention throughout life. He was born in Wallkill township, near Middletown, September 8, 1864, a son of George T. Ogden, who was born in the town of Wallkill, March 29, 1841. The grandfather, Daniel Ogden, a cooper by trade, purchased land in Wallkill township, and followed farming until his death in 1880. This tract of one hundred and forty acres is still held by the family. George T. Ogden (II), a great-grandson of Daniel Ogden, is now cultivating the farm and represents the fourth generation of the family upon the place. George T. Ogden, Sr., married Emeline Clark, a daughter of Chauncey Clark, and also a member of one

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of the old families of Orange county. Five children were born to George T. and Emeline (Clark) Ogden: Albert C., of this review; Fred D., deceased; Mrs. Lottie M. Whitney, of Plymouth, Connecticut; Genevieve B. and Frank T., both of Oswego, New York, where the latter is in the drug business.

Albert Clark Ogden attended the public schools and Wallkill Academy for his educational advantages. Upon starting out in life for himself he decided to handle milk and has continued a dealer in that commodity for forty years. During that period his patronage has steadily increased, due to his efficient management and thorough reliability, and he now covers a wide area in making deliveries. He heads the A. C. Ogden Milk Company, Inc., wholesale and retail dealers in tuberculin tested, grade A pasteurized milk and cream, rich in butter fat. The business is located at 167-169 West Main street, Middletown, and ranks with the largest of the kind in this part of Orange county.

Mr. Ogden was married October 23, 1890, to Miss Anna J. Jackson, a daughter of Thomas B. and Mary (Jones) Jackson, of Hamptonburg, New York. Mr. and Mrs. Ogden are the parents of a daughter and two sons. Genevieve, the first born, is the wife of Clifford Wells, of Middletown, and the mother of one child, Richard Wells. George T. Ogden, the second child, attended Cornell University and is a graduate of Mount Pleasant Military Academy. During the World war he went to France with the One Hundred and Sixth Regiment of United States Field Artillery and served for one and a half years. He married Miss Lucille Gumar, by whom he has three children: Georgine, Ann, and Albert C. Seward J. Ogden, who completes the family, is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania. At the time of the world conflict he entered an officers training camp but was not called upon for overseas' duty. He is now connected with the Sheffield Farm Milk Company in the capacity of superintendent and resides at Kew Gardens on Long Island. He married Miss Helen Lutes and they have a son, Seward J., Jr.

Adhering to the religious faith of his father, Albert C. Ogden is a deacon of the Middletown Congregational Church, being the

third generation to hold that office. His sons also have membership in the same church. He is a member of the society of Royal Arcadians and is an honorary member of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics. He is a republican and while never an aspirant for political office he served four years as supervisor of the third ward and six years as alderman of the third ward. He has furthered the progress of his city by building up one of its important business institutions and is known and esteemed throughout Orange county.

EMERSON J. HANKINSON

A member of a family of builders, Emerson J. Hankinson was long identified with engineering and construction work in Poughkeepsie and is now enjoying a well earned rest. He was born in Trenton, New Jersey, February 26, 1866, a son of William Henry Hankinson, Jr., who was a native of Jersey City. In colonial days the family was established in New Jersey and it was represented in the Revolutionary war by Peter Hankinson, who aided in winning American independence. William Henry Hankinson, Sr., the grandfather of Emerson J. Hankinson, devoted his attention to construction work, operating on a large scale, and it was due to his generosity and public spirit that New Jersey received the grounds for its first statehouse. His son, William H. Hankinson, Jr., was widely known as an architect and building contractor. He erected the first mills for the early steel combine and became superintendent of the plant. He was one of five children, of whom Jacob gained prominence in transportation circles, serving as president of a railroad. William H. Hankinson, Jr., married Rebecca Zermom, one of the four children of Armstrong Zermom, who was a native of England but served in the German Army. On coming to America he settled in the vicinity of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, and at his enlistment in the Continental Army he was made an officer by reason of his knowledge of military tactics and experi-

ence in warfare. There were ten children in the family of William H. and Rebecca (Zermon) Hankinson, namely: Cornelia, Harriett, Savan, Willard, Anna, Walter, Emerson J., Harry, Mabel and Fred.

Ambitious and energetic, Emerson J. Hankinson eagerly availed himself of every opportunity to advance, working hard during the day and pursuing his studies at night in order to perfect himself in the profession of a mechanical engineer. His ingenuity and skill were utilized in designing machinery of various types and for a time he was superintendent of a large cooperage plant. He designed and erected the Second Church of Christ, Scientist, in Poughkeepsie and he also designed and built Oak Crescent street. Possessing craftsmanship of a high order, he contributed in substantial measure to the city's upbuilding and improvement and through the efficient management of his affairs he prospered in business, so that he was able to retire several years ago.

Mr. Hankinson was married to Miss Gertrude Du Bois, a daughter of Jonas and Maria (Du Bois) Du Bois, descendants of the noted Huguenot, Louis Du Bois, who was one of the founders of the village of New Paltz and one of the nine original grantees of the land in that district. From him the line of descent is as follows: Louis (2); Jonathan; Louis (3); Jonas, who married Rachel Le Fevre; Wessel, who married Jane Rose; and Jonas Du Bois (2), the father of Mrs. Emerson J. Hankinson. By her marriage she has become the mother of three children. Paul E., the eldest, supplemented his public school education by a course in linotyping at the Mergenthaler School, subsequently doing linotype work and printing for several concerns. In 1927 he embarked in business in Poughkeepsie, establishing the Artercraft Press, which lives up to its name, turning out high grade work. He does much high school printing and also executes a fine class of printing for Vassar College. Arthur, the second son, is an automotive engineer and Nina, the daughter, is secretary to the warden of Vassar College.

The Hankinson home at 83 South Hamilton street is one of

the finest on that thoroughfare. The residence was built by Major Bisbee, whose father founded the noted educational institution on College hill, and among the interesting features of this attractive dwelling is a fireplace which came from the home of Martin Van Buren. An indefatigable collector, Mr. Hankinson has secured many rare relics and recently offered to Henry Ford a chest of hand made tools, which were fashioned in 1786 for the ship Maria, sailing out of New Bedford. His collection also includes the lock of the first Poughkeepsie jail, chains used in manacling runaway slaves, the first doorknocker in New Paltz and a quaint old path lantern used by an early settler of New Paltz. Mr. and Mrs. Hankinson have always furthered those projects which make for civic progress and betterment and the latter is particularly interested in educational advancement. She was one of the originators of the Parent-Teacher Association of Poughkeepsie and it was largely due to her efforts that the banking system was started in the local schools. It is interesting to note in this connection that the children of Mr. and Mrs. Hankinson were among the first depositors of this system.

JOHN M. BUSH

John M. Bush, one of Poughkeepsie's self-made men, was long identified with manufacturing interests but now devotes his attention to financial affairs and since 1928 has been president of the Home Cooperative Savings and Loan Association. He was born in Iroquois county, Illinois, September 22, 1878, a son of John A. and Isabelle L. (Brown) Bush, who were among the early settlers of the county. They had made the overland journey from Pennsylvania to that section of Illinois, which was somewhat primitive at that period, and it required much work and a great deal of fortitude to wrest a living from the soil, for there were very few markets and hardly any roads. Needless to say, the life of the farm boy was not all play, and John M. Bush was early inured to hard work and long hours. After the

family removed to Paxton, Illinois, he pursued his education there and while a high school pupil he earned a small sum of money by doing chores. He also attended an academy at Paxton, paying his way by doing odd jobs and likewise serving as a substitute teacher.

Mr. Bush came to Poughkeepsie to attend the Eastman Business College and on the completion of his course entered the employ of the Poughkeepsie & Eastern Railway. He was next office man with the Lane Brothers Manufacturing Company and afterward spent some time in the Brooklyn navy yard. Returning to Poughkeepsie, he accepted a situation with the Adriance Platt Company and with this varied preparatory training he found a sphere of useful service for many years with the Dutchess Manufacturing Company, with which he has been continuously connected for twenty-seven years, having made the connection in 1904, first as office assistant, later as office manager and finally as manager. He was also assistant manager, in charge of sales and finances, and in that capacity he traveled throughout the United States in promoting the sales of his concern. He had become identified with the Home Cooperative Savings and Loan Association as assistant secretary in 1908 and in 1928 was elected president to succeed George W. Krieger.

This association was incorporated April 24, 1888, and the first meeting for the reception of dues was held June 12, 1888. The first officers were: Albert O. Cheney, president; Clement C. Gaines, vice president; Marvin O. Dutton, secretary; and Guilford Dudley, treasurer. John J. Mylod, veteran lawyer, has been attorney for the association throughout the period of its existence. Following is a list of its presidents: Albert O. Cheney, Clement C. Gaines, James H. Ward, Marvin O. Dutton, George W. Krieger and John M. Bush. The association has been fortunate in its executive heads, all of whom have been men of vision, sagacity and proven integrity, and under the efficient administration of Mr. Bush the continued growth and prosperity of the corporation are assured. He is also a director of the Merchants National Bank & Trust Company, to which his name lends additional prestige.

Mr. Bush was married to Miss Etta Elizabeth Hasbrook, a daughter of George A. and Georgiana (Griffin) Hasbrook, who have another daughter, May. The Hasbrooks were among the earliest to settle in and around New Hamburg, New York, and were prominent in the pioneer phase of the river traffic. George A. Hasbrook controlled the dock at New Hamburg, succeeding his father, Captain William Hasbrook, who was one of the best known river captains of the early days. Captain Hasbrook's granddaughter, Mrs. Bush, has a well trained voice of pleasing quality and was formerly a member of local choirs. Mr. Bush has a nephew, Paul De Witt Hasbrouck, a son of Webster D. and Minnie (Bush) Hasbrouck, who served in the World war. Also a niece, Ruth I. Hasbrouck.

Fraternally Mr. Bush is a Mason, identified with Triune Lodge, F. & A. M., and with Poughkeepsie Chapter, R. A. M. He is a member of the Amrita Club, Rotary Club and the Young Men's Christian Association. A Presbyterian in religious faith, he is an elder in the church and formerly was one of its trustees, and at one time was president of the Young Peoples Society. He has conducted many financial campaigns for the church, working untiringly and effectively in its behalf, and lends the weight of his support to all movements and projects which make for community uplift and advancement. His ability and force of character have carried him into important relations, and as a financier of high standing he is known and esteemed throughout the valley.

RONALD F. BOGLE

Ronald F. Bogle, an attorney, maintains his office at 226 Union street, Poughkeepsie. In the paternal line he is descended from a family of cotton goods weavers who for generations were creative factors in that industry in Scotland, England and in America. William Bogle, the grandfather of Ronald F. Bogle, was the founder of the family in this country. He came from

Manchester, England, to the Hudson River Valley in 1848. A textile chemist of broad experience, he became president and manager of Garner & Company, engaged in the manufacture of cotton prints at Wappingers Falls, in the southern part of Dutchess county. His forbears had removed from Scotland to England and were widely known as experts in the field of textile manufacturing. He married Selina Hoyle, also a native of England, and remained a resident of Wappingers Falls until his demise. He had become the father of three children, John, Alice Bogle and Mary McCauley. At his death his son John became the managing head of production of the textile plant at Wappingers Falls, New York, and continued active in the control of the business until 1910. He married Sarah Mason, who was born in New York city and was a daughter of Archibald and Nancy Mason, natives of Ireland. John and Sarah (Mason) Bogle became the parents of three children, of whom William, the first born, is deceased. The others are: Ronald F.; and Alice M., the wife of Abram C. Hunt, a veteran of the World war.

Ronald F. Bogle was a graduate of the high school at Poughkeepsie, New York, and pursued a classical course in Williams College, which conferred upon him the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1913. He was next a law student at Columbia College in New York city, where he won his LL. B. degree in 1916, and was admitted to the bar in the same year. For a time he was a clerk in the office of George Worrall, an attorney of Poughkeepsie, New York, and has since practiced under his own name. He has served as justice of the peace of the town of Wappinger for eight years and also as corporation counsel, of Wappingers Falls, New York.

Mr. Bogle was married to Miss Julia Fredericks, a native of Houston, Texas, and a daughter of Augustus and Lottie (Griffin) Fredericks. The Griffin family was established in Virginia in colonial days and the Fredericks were originally from Pulaski, Illinois, whence they removed to Texas. The two children of this marriage are Nancy and William Bogle. Mr. Bogle is a member and vestryman of the Episcopal Church at Wappingers Falls

and fraternally he is a Mason. His hours of leisure are largely devoted to outdoor sports and enjoying tennis and golf. He belongs to the Wappingers Falls Tennis Club, to the Dutchess Golf Club, the Williams College Club of New York city, the Theta Delta Chi society, and the Dutchess County Bar Association.

J. ALVAN HALL

Although relatively a newcomer, as a permanent resident of Dutchess county, J. Alvan Hall is recognized as a leader in real estate, building and insurance circles of the mid-Hudson Valley, as well as being widely known in the realty circles of the state and nation, through his activities in the State and National Associations of Real Estate Boards. He was born in New York city on May 16th, 1886, and in both the paternal and maternal lines is of Colonial ancestry. The Halls were early settlers in Connecticut. James Smith Hall, grandfather of J. Alvan Hall, was born in Fishkill, New York. He married Eliza Ann Fish, a descendant of the family from which the name of Fishkill originated. In 1860, upon moving to Brooklyn, New York, he became one of the pioneers in real estate circles by opening one of the first real estate offices in that city, thus founding the business now being carried on by J. Alvan Hall with main offices in Poughkeepsie. Two sons were born to James Smith and Eliza Ann Hall, namely: George A. Hall, who served for nearly thirty years as state secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association in New York state, and Jonathan Hall, who upon his return from the Civil war entered the real estate and insurance offices of James Smith Hall in Brooklyn, continuing active in the business until his death in 1921. Jonathan Hall was always active in the business, civic and church life of the community. In church affairs he served for many years as a trustee of the Methodist Church, as superintendent of Sunday schools and as class leader.

Just approaching his majority, Jonathan Hall married Mary Antoinette Driggs, daughter of Elisha T. Driggs, the latter a

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prominent citizen of his day and representing the Seventh District of New York state as a member of congress, at all times a staunch supporter of President Abraham Lincoln in all of his policies. Through his support of the president in relation to war policies the Driggs home was stoned by the mob during the so-called "Draft Riots." A prominent thoroughfare of the borough of Brooklyn, Driggs avenue, was named for this well-known family. An ancestor, Captain James Smith, fell in action during the Revolutionary war, giving eligibility to J. Alvan Hall as a member of the Sons of the American Revolution. Mrs. Hall, the mother, also was prominent in the social and church circles of the day, being one of the founders and a member of the Board of Managers of the Methodist Episcopal Church Home for the Aged in Brooklyn for more than twenty-five years.

J. Alvan Hall, one of a family of five children, attended the public schools of his native city and upon entering commercial life joined his father in the real estate and insurance business, when the name J. Hall & Son now so prominent in the realty circles of the mid-Hudson Valley was first used. The son continued with the firm for several years, when his abilities as an organizer and leader, as well as along editorial lines, caused him to be drawn into official positions with some of the leading business organizations of the country, becoming the first educational director of the old Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, at the same time acting as editor and publisher of Associated Advertising. Again entering the real estate field he became executive vice president of the New York State Association of Real Estate Boards which position he held with great success and credit to the organization and to himself for more than five years. During this period he was also responsible for the reorganization and became a director of the New York State Tax Association and originated the movement for a department of commerce in the state government, a department to foster and promote the commercial and industrial activity of the state.

Having a most thorough knowledge of every section of the state, in 1930, he determined to reestablish the old real estate

and insurance business, founded by his grandfather and continued by his father for more than half a century. Mr. Hall, believing the mid-Hudson Valley to be unexcelled as a future residential, business and commercial center, opened the main offices of this firm in the city of Poughkeepsie and to give assurance that the old firm name of J. Hall & Son would continue as a perpetual monument to his ancestors, he incorporated the business under that name and has associated with him as vice president, one of the best known public men of the day,—State Senator Seabury C. Mastick, who refused the nomination for both governor and lieutenant governor at the outset of the last campaign.

Believing in the principle that, every man owes a part of his time to the upbuilding of the community in which he lives, Mr. Hall has not only been active in realty circles, since locating in Poughkeepsie but in his humble way has done everything possible to make the community bigger, better and more worthy of its natural beauty and location as a coming Port of Call for ocean going vessels. Mr. Hall carries forward to completion everything he undertakes, using constructive, straightforward methods which neither seek nor require disguise and is a citizen who would be a valuable acquisition to any community. He has consistently turned a cold shoulder to all attempts to draft him for public office, preferring to serve in the ranks, but in addition to the presidency of J. Hall & Son, Inc., is also an officer and director in several other important business organizations.

M. GLENN FOLGER

An attorney of recognized ability, M. Glenn Folger occupies a prominent place in legal circles of Poughkeepsie, where he also has business and financial interests of importance. He was born in Niagara county, New York, February 2, 1881, and in the paternal line is of Huguenot ancestry. His grandfather, Mont-raville Folger, engaged in farming near Lockport, New York,

and was one of the prominent men of that district. He married Caroline Edwards and they had three sons: Montraville, Jr.; Daniel, who established his home in North Dakota; and Stephen, who was an early settler in Oklahoma.

Montraville Folger, Jr., the father of M. Glenn Folger, became sales manager for a firm who were pioneers in the making of commercial fertilizer. He was a devout member of the Methodist Church and long served on its board of trustees. His wife, Leah T. (Treichler) Folger, was of Dutch lineage. Her father, John Treichler, was born in York county, Pennsylvania, and in his youth settled in Niagara county, New York, where he developed a productive farm. Several of his children left the Empire state and made their way to the west. A son, George Treichler, went first to North Dakota, then to Oregon, and finally settled in California. A daughter, Lydia Treichler, became the wife of Dr. Charles D. Leonard and they lived for some time in Phoenix, Arizona, afterward making their home in California. Emma Treichler, another daughter, married Henry T. Hull and they became residents of Oregon, subsequently removing to Los Angeles, California. By her marriage to Montraville Folger, Jr., the daughter Leah became the mother of two sons, M. Glenn and Wayne H. The latter supplemented his public school education, acquired in Lockport, by attendance at the University of Pennsylvania, from which he was graduated, and is now president of the Evans-Liddle Company of Lockport. He married Maybelle Upson, by whom he has two children, Wayne H. Jr., and William Montraville.

After mastering the branches of learning taught in the grammar and high schools of Lockport, M. Glenn Folger matriculated in the University of Pennsylvania and was graduated with the class of 1904, receiving the Bachelor of Science degree. Later he engaged in manufacturing and also in agricultural pursuits, growing fruit on an extensive scale. In 1912 he began the study of law in the office of George Wood, a well known attorney of Poughkeepsie, and in due time was admitted to the New York bar. He entered upon his legal career in this city and in 1916

formed a partnership with N. Otis Rockwood, with whom he has since been associated. They have a large and desirable clientele in Poughkeepsie and also transact considerable legal business in New York city, where they likewise maintain an office. While a general practitioner, Mr. Folger specializes in that branch of the profession which pertains to taxes and the management of estates, having a highly specialized knowledge of these lines, and served as transfer tax appraiser of Dutchess county. Endowed with keen powers of perception, he has solved many intricate legal problems and his sound judgment and broad grasp of affairs have also made his cooperation of value in matters of business and finance. He is trust officer and a director of the Merchants National Bank of Poughkeepsie and vice president and a director of the Bardavon Theatres Corporation, owners of the Bardavon properties. For a number of years he has been a trustee of the Vassar Brothers Hospital and in 1925 was elected treasurer of the board.

Mr. Folger was married to Miss Geraldine Lucille Wood, a graduate of Vassar College. She is a daughter of George Wood, who was classed with the foremost attorneys of New York state, and of Minnie (Heald) Wood. While attending the University of Pennsylvania, Mr. Folger joined the Delta Kappa Epsilon fraternity. During his student days he was business manager of *Pennsylvanian*, the college daily, was an oarsman of his class crew and also directed musical clubs of the college. Early in life he manifested a talent for debate and was a member of the first interscholastic debating team in this part of the country. The contest was between the students of the Masten Park high school of Buffalo and the Lockport high school. The subject was Woman's Suffrage, and the opposition leader was Raymond Fosdick, a brother of Harry Emerson Fosdick. An enthusiastic horseman, Mr. Folger is president of the Rondout Riding & Hunt Club. He is one of the trustees of the Amrita Club of Poughkeepsie, has served on the board of the Dutchess Golf & Country Club for a number of years and also belongs to the University Club of Buffalo and to the Dutchess County, New York

State and American Bar associations. Versatile, forceful and resourceful, Mr. Folger has the faculty of doing well everything that he attempts, and his record is one of continuous progress and important achievement. The principles of truth and honor have constituted his guide throughout life and he stands high as a lawyer, as a business man and as a citizen.

CLARENCE J. DRAKE

The prestige of the Poughkeepsie bar is ably upheld by Clarence J. Drake, a successful lawyer with a background of nearly thirty years' experience in the profession. He was born in Pleasant Valley, New York, June 7th, 1874, and is of English lineage. The family was founded in America by three brothers, who were Quakers in religious faith. Two brothers settled in New York. One of these, Peter Drake, the great-grandfather of Clarence J. Drake, was the first representative of the family in the Hudson River Valley. He came to La Grange about 1800 and was one of the early farmers of Dutchess county. His son, Thomas Drake, a Quaker preacher, conducted services in the old meeting-house, at Quaker City, and there established a Quaker school. William Lloyd Garrison, the noted abolitionist, and Susan B. Anthony were frequent visitors at the Drake homestead and delivered lectures at the school. He married Eliza Pinkham and their family of eight children included a daughter, Eliza, who married a Mr. Slenker, and removed to Snowville, Virginia, published several magazines and for many years was a noted agnostic. A son, Charles M. Drake, went to Santa Barbara, California, where he taught school for a number of years, and another daughter was Emily L. DeGarmo, wife of Dr. James M. DeGarmo, Ph. D., who conducted the old DeGarmo Institute at Rhinebeck and Beacon, New York, and she was vice principal of said Institute until her death.

Another son, Edward C. Drake, the father of Clarence J. Drake, also entered the educational field and engaged in teach-

ing for a considerable period. Later he engaged in the mercantile business at Pleasant Valley, and was appointed postmaster, occupying the office for forty-two years, establishing a notable record of public service. He also served the town as supervisor for several terms. He married Annie E. Divine, a daughter of Jonathan and Catherine Divine. In the paternal line Catherine Divine was descended from the Van Vlack. Tielman Van Vlack, the American progenitor of the family, came to this country from Holland, arriving in New Amsterdam, now New York city, in 1658. He was the father of Isaac Van Vlack, who married Catherine de la Noy, and their son, Abraham Van Vlack, born in 1688, wedded Maria Kipp. They were the parents of nine children. Abraham Van Vlack, Jr., the third of these children, married and had a son, Abraham Van Vlack III. He was born in 1755, and fought in the Revolutionary war. His wife was Marguerite Wiltsie and their son, Abraham Van Vlack, was the third in a family of ten children. He married Catherine Weaver and their daughter, Catherine Van Vlack, born in 1809, became the wife of Jonathan Divine. Both passed away at the age of eighty-four years and five of their eight children lived to be more than eighty years of age. Their daughter, Anna E. Divine, was born in 1849, and by her marriage to Edward C. Drake, she became the mother of eight children: Thomas J., whose son Wesley served in the World war; Theodore; Arthur; Clarence J.; Francis B.; Edgar; Florence, now Mrs. Smith J. Marshall; and Harold W.

In the acquirement of an education Clarence J. Drake attended the Poughkeepsie Military Academy and the DeGarmo Institute at Fishkill, New York. Afterward he studied law in the offices and under the direction of Judge C. W. Arnold and Charles F. Cossum, mastering the principles of jurisprudence. In 1902 he was admitted to the New York bar and in 1907 qualified for practice before the United States Court. With the passing years his clientele has steadily increased and his law business is now of an important character. In a discussion he has the gift of seizing the gist of the matter and he possesses the

knack of setting it in correct perspective. He is a director of the Farmers & Manufacturers Bank of Poughkeepsie, and gives to the institution the benefit of his legal knowledge and advice. He is treasurer of Collingwood & Seaman, and secretary and a director of the Poughkeepsie Credit Corporation.

Mr. Drake was married to Miss Sarah O. Darrow, a daughter of Samuel K. and Emma F. Bates Darrow. Her grandfather, Paul King, was a shipbuilder in the early days. In the paternal line Mrs. Drake is descended from James Winans, whose name is enrolled as one of the patriots who served in the Revolutionary war. A lifelong republican, Mr. Drake has been active in behalf of the party and for fifteen years was treasurer of the Dutchess County Republican Committee. In his earlier years he was a justice of the peace, meeting every requirement of the office. He belongs to the Masonic fraternity, to the Amrita Club and to the Dutchess County, New York State and American Bar associations. His energy and ability have carried him steadily forward in his profession and in his practice he always has in mind the solid virtues and enlightened principles underlying the law.

GRANT M. BRINNIER

Grant M. Brinnier, corporation counsel for Saugerties, has been particularly successful as a trial lawyer and worthily sustains the traditions of a family whose members have long figured prominently in legal circles of Ulster county. He was born in Kingston, New York, December 30, 1891, a son of William D. and Ora (Mackey) Brinnier and a grandson of John M. and Letitia (Lundy) Brinnier.

Born in Kingston, January 4, 1859, William D. Brinnier attended the public schools of the city and after his graduation from the old Kingston Academy he studied law in the office of D. W. Sparling, with whom he continued until he reached the age of twenty-one, when he was admitted to the bar. In 1889 he formed a partnership with Alva S. Newcomb and with the pass-

ing years theirs became recognized as one of the leading law firms of this part of the state. Mr. Brinnier was attorney for the Kingston Consolidated Traction Company, corporation counsel for the city of Kingston and the village of Saugerties for several years, and was also admitted to practice in the state of Colorado. A lawyer of high standing, he was actively identified with legal work in Ulster and adjoining counties for more than forty years and was a prominent member of both the Ulster County and New York State Bar Associations. Interested in matters of finance, he was a director of the State of New York National Bank at Kingston and also of the Saugerties Bank. A stanch democrat, he was active in city and county politics and occupied a number of public offices, including that of alderman, to which he was elected in 1884, serving for five terms in succession. His record in that connection led to his selection for the mayoralty and he gave to Kingston an efficient, progressive administration productive of much good. He was also a member of the school board and gave tangible proof of his devotion to his city in many ways. In 1896 he was a presidential elector and in the councils of his party his opinions carried considerable weight. During the War Savings drives he was brigadier general for Ulster county, devoting much time to work of a patriotic nature, and he contributed two sons to the service of his country in its hour of need. In fraternal circles he was well known through his connection with the Improved Order of Red Men, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Kingston Lodge, No. 550, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and Franklin Lodge, No. 37, of the Knights of Pythias. He traveled extensively and at his death in 1924 was the owner of a large plantation on the Isle of Pines, which he visited each year. His family numbered four sons: William D., Jr., engaged in the practice of law in Kingston; Grant M.; Parker K., now deceased; and Augustus S., a World war veteran, also deceased.

Grant M. Brinnier supplemented his public school education by a course in Kingston Academy, from which he was graduated in 1911, and then went to Poughkeepsie, New York, where he

acquired his initial training in legal procedure while employed in the law office of Morschauser & Mack. Later his reading was directed by the firm of Brinnier, Canfield & Brinnier, Kingston attorneys, and his studies were completed in the Albany Law School, which conferred upon him the degree of LL. B. in 1916. Admitted to the bar in the same year, he entered upon his career as an attorney in Saugerties but laid aside his practice in 1917, when he enlisted at Kingston for service in the World war, and of the Ulster county contingent he was one of the three men who were the first to arrive in France. His assignment was with Company L, of the Three Hundred and Tenth Regiment of United States Infantry, and later he was attached to the Nineteenth Engineers. For about two years he was overseas, advancing from the status of a private to that of a commissioned officer, and was awarded a certificate of merit and given his honorable discharge at Camp Dix, New Jersey, in 1919. Returning home, he resumed the practice of law and is now attorney for the Saugerties Bank and the First National Bank of Saugerties. Clear and concise in argument, he presents his contention in the strongest possible light and is at his best as a trial lawyer. He has successfully handled many important cases and enjoys a large clientele. At one time he was assistant district attorney for Dutchess county and in 1928 was appointed town attorney of Saugerties, acting in that capacity for two years. Since 1921 he has been corporation counsel for Saugerties and ably manages the legal interests intrusted to his care, performing his duties with characteristic thoroughness and fidelity.

Mr. Brinnier was married May 20, 1919, to Miss Cornelia S. Carnright, a native of Saugerties and a daughter of James and Caroline (Teller) Carnright, the former now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Brinnier have two sons: Gilbert Hasbrouck, who was born November 30, 1921; and William D., born October 4, 1927. The parents attend the First Reformed Church of Saugerties and Mr. Brinnier is a republican in his political views. Traveling, hunting and yachting constitute his chief sources of recreation and his motor boat, which is one of the finest on the Hudson

river, has accommodations for sixteen persons. He is a member of the Rondout Yacht Club, the Saugerties Club, the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Masonic order, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and Delta Chi, a college fraternity. While he enjoys the social side of life, Mr. Brinnier never neglects his legal work and his professional colleagues and the general public unite in bearing testimony as to his ability and integrity.

TOWNSEND S. FITZGERALD

Townsend S. Fitzgerald, one of Ellenville's self-made men, is serving for the second term as town clerk and owns valuable business property here. He was born on a farm near Greenfield, in Ulster county, May 10, 1871, and is a son of Daniel Fitzgerald and of Scotch-Irish descent. The father, a native of Greenfield, Ulster county, removed in early life to Black Lake, Sullivan county, New York, where he obtained work in a tannery, and later was made superintendent of the plant. He was manager of a general store at Black Lake for a period of four years and then entered the mercantile field independently at Cornwall, Orange county, where he conducted business for three years. Disposing of the store at the end of that time, he returned to his native village and was there engaged in farming for eighteen years, also discharging the duties of assessor for twelve years. He next located in Summitville, New York, where he accepted the position of bookkeeper in the S. A. Adams store, of which he had charge for about ten years. With his removal to Ellenville he was elected justice of the peace, occupying the office for twenty-two years, and during twenty years of that period was local fire adjuster for the New York, Ontario & Western Railroad—a position which he continued to fill until his death on the 19th of September, 1928, at the advanced age of eighty-six years.

When a young man Daniel Fitzgerald had married Sarah Freer, whose forbears were among the first settlers and patentees

of the town of New Paltz. She was also born in the village of Greenfield and preceded her husband to the home beyond, passing away in 1905. To Mr. and Mrs. Fitzgerald were born four children, of whom one died in infancy. Edward, also deceased, was a blacksmith by trade. He is survived by a widow, Mrs. Lillie (Lynch) Fitzgerald, and two daughters, Ann and Edra. Hattie, the widow of Charles Vanderlyn, a prosperous farmer, has two sons, Daniel F. and Jay N. Vanderlyn. The former, a dealer in the Oakland and Pontiac cars, is located at 112 Main street, Ellenville, and the latter is engaged in business at Kingston, New York. During the World war he was on duty as a mechanic at various air ports in France and England, spending more than two years overseas, and was mustered out of the service in New York city.

Townsend S. Fitzgerald, the fourth member of the family, acquired a high school education and first learned the trade of a jeweler, devoting twelve years to that line of work. This was followed by ten years of service with the New York, Ontario & Western Railroad and he was next in the employ of the Ulster Knife Company, becoming a foreman in the plant at Ellenville. He severed his connection with that corporation to enter the automobile business under the style of the Vanderlyn Vulcanizing and Battery Company and later took over the Hudson-Essex line, retaining the local agency for a year. He then changed to the Oakland-Pontiac cars, which he handled for four years, and won a gratifying measure of success as a dealer in automobiles. On the expiration of that period he disposed of his interest in the business and took over the property personally. This constitutes a large, modern garage on Main street, Ellenville, which has few buildings so well adapted to the purpose. The garage is provided with fine showrooms, an up-to-date work shop and every modern convenience.

In Walton, Delaware county, New York, Mr. Fitzgerald was married to Miss Mary Metcalf, whose demise occurred in 1895. She had become the mother of three children, of whom one died in infancy, while Floyd lived but three years. The daughter

Bernice, who follows the profession of nursing, was connected with the Middletown Hospital before going to Brooklyn, New York, where she was graduated from the nurses' training school maintained by the Methodist Hospital. For his second wife Mr. Fitzgerald chose Miss Marie La Bagha, a native of Hurleyville, Sullivan county, New York, and they have a son, Edward, who is attending high school.

Mr. Fitzgerald and his family attend the Methodist Church and his political support is given to the republican party. In 1927 he was the successful candidate for town clerk and his record won him reelection in 1929 for another term of two years. Systematic and painstaking, he performs his public duties with the same thoroughness and efficiency that have characterized the management of his individual business interests, and his service has therefore been highly satisfactory. In the local councils of his party he exerts considerable influence and has attended a number of county conventions. His connection with the Knights of Pythias at Ellenville covers more than thirty years and he has filled all the chairs in the lodge, of which he is now a trustee. He has closely adhered to the beneficent teachings of the order and is a man of strong character and real worth, esteemed and respected by all who know him.

WYATT T. MAYER

Many of the men associated with business interests of Albany in executive capacities are native sons who have always remained in the city and in this classification belongs Wyatt T. Mayer, well known as one of the officers of Hoy & Company, Inc., handling plumbers' and steam-fitters' supplies. He was born September 13, 1886, a son of William Turner Mayer and a grandson of John Mayer, who was a native of Liverpool, England. Samuel, a brother of John Mayer, was one of the influential men of his city and became mayor of Liverpool. John Mayer was a member of the firm of Mayer Brothers, owners of large potteries in

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England, and came to the United States as their representative, establishing his headquarters in New York city, where his demise occurred. He had married Eliza Wyatt Turner, who was born in Leamington, Warwickshire, England, and died in Albany, New York.

Their son, William Turner Mayer, was born on Staten Island, New York, in 1851 and became treasurer of the Albany Chemical Company, which he aided in forming. He was a member of St. Peter's Episcopal Church and voted with the democratic party. He made his home in Albany until his death, which occurred on the 24th of January, 1918, when he was sixty-seven years of age. His wife, Henrietta L. (McEwen) Mayer, was born in Clarks-ville, Albany county, New York, in 1856 and died in Albany, April 21, 1923, at the age of sixty-seven years. She was a daughter of John and Martha (Fitch) McEwen, who were natives of Scotland, and both passed away in Albany. Prompted by the spirit of patriotism, Mr. McEwen volunteered for service in the Civil war and rose to the rank of colonel. On the democratic ticket he was elected sheriff of Albany county and later was made superintendent of the federal prison in Albany—an institution which has since been converted into the county jail.

Wyatt T. Mayer was graduated from Albany Academy in 1905 and continued his studies in Williams College as a member of the class of 1909. When his education was completed he became associated with the Albany Chemical Company, starting as office boy and advancing through the various departments as he gained in knowledge and experience. At length he was elected secretary of the company and was filling the office of vice president in 1923, when the business was sold. He then joined Hoy & Company, Inc., wholesale jobbers in plumbers' and steam-fitters' supplies, and is now serving in the dual capacity of secretary and treasurer. Through the exercise of his executive force and sound judgment he is contributing toward the growth and success of the business and formerly was a director of the Albany Trust Company, which has passed out of existence.

Mr. Mayer was married June 1, 1910, to Miss Esther Birch

Hoy, a daughter of John S. and Grace (Birch) Hoy. Her father, who was the founder and head of the business of Hoy & Company, is now deceased but the mother still makes her home in Albany. Mrs. Mayer was graduated from St. Agnes School and completed her education in Paris, France, attending a select school conducted by a Miss Hess. Mr. and Mrs. Mayer have a son, William Turner (II), who was born April 3, 1913, will graduate from Albany Academy in 1931 and will enter Williams College in Williamstown, Massachusetts, in the fall of 1931.

The residence of the family is at 64 Willett street and Mr. Mayer's office is located at 39 Columbia street, Albany. He has membership in St. Peter's Episcopal Church and his wife is a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church and also of the Junior League. He adheres to the political belief of his father and grandfather, casting his ballot for the candidates of the democratic party, but has never sought public office. During the World war period he was an officer in the New York National Guard, serving as second lieutenant of his company. His hobby is the breeding of pedigreed bull terriers and whippets, which he has exhibited at many dog shows, and he also acts as judge. He belongs to Albany Lodge, No. 49, B. P. O. E., to the Fort Orange Club, the Albany Country Club, the Schuyler Meadows Country Club, the Williams College Club of New York city and the Sigma Phi fraternity. He is also a member of the Albany Chamber of Commerce and deeply interested in its movements to further the material development and promote the interests of the city, in which he is widely known and highly esteemed.

F. HAROLD CRISPELL, M. D.

Dr. F. Harold Crispell, who has practiced in Poughkeepsie since 1925, demonstrating his ability as a physician and surgeon, was born in Alligerville, Ulster county, New York, May 14, 1895, and is a son of the Rev. Frank B. and Eva (Smith) Crispell, natives respectively of Liberty and Tarrytown, this state. The

family is of French origin and was first represented in America by Antoine Crispell, a Huguenot, who was one of the founders of New Paltz, New York. Rev. Alexander Crispell, the Doctor's grandfather, was one of the early circuit riders of the Hudson River Valley, as was also his father. Following the example of his father and grandfather, the Rev. Frank B. Crispell devoted his life to the spread of the Methodist religion and was engaged in pastoral work in the Bronx, at Beacon and Poughkeepsie, Dutchess county, at Pleasantville, Westchester county, Monroe, Orange county, and in Modena, Greenfield and Alligerville, Ulster county. He was an eloquent pulpit orator and by example as well as precept pointed out to others the higher course in life. The maternal grandfather, Dr. Addison Joseph Smith, practiced medicine for many years in Fremont Center, Sullivan county, New York. His father had also won success in the medical profession and his uncle, Dr. Bullrun Smith, was likewise a prominent physician. The Smith family were early settlers on Long Island and it is said that in acquiring property they purchased in a quantity stipulated by the seller as "as much land as could be covered by a bull on the run in one day." The Rev. Frank B. and Eva (Smith) Crispell became the parents of four children, three of whom are living: Clifford Alexander, a well known surgeon of Poughkeepsie; F. Harold; and Genevieve, who is Mrs. Herbert L. Baker and has a daughter, Evelyn.

Dr. F. Harold Crispell was a pupil in the public schools of the various cities which were the scene of his father's labors as a minister of the gospel and completed his high school education at Poughkeepsie in 1914. During the following year he engaged in teaching at New Paltz and Plutarch and then took a pre-medical course at Syracuse University, afterward matriculating in the University of New York, which he left December 21, 1917, to enter the United States Army. He was in training at Camp Crane and at Camp Merritt and was then sent overseas, going to England with Mobile Hospital Unit No. 102. Later he saw active service in France with the same unit, and was discharged as a

private at Camp Upton, New York, on the 1st of April, 1919. Shortly thereafter he enrolled as a student in the Eclectic Medical College at Cincinnati, Ohio, where he received the M. D. degree in 1924, and then returned to his native state, serving for a year as an interne of St. Francis Hospital at Poughkeepsie. On the 5th of July, 1925, he opened an office at 255 Mill street, where he practiced for three years, later moving his office to 15 Hooker avenue and now has a large general practice. He is a member of the staffs of Vassar and St. Francis Hospitals and puts forth earnest effort to make his labors effective in checking the ravages of disease.

Dr. Crispell was married to Miss Alice Wellman, a daughter of Frank Stewart and Elizabeth (Green) Wellman, and they have one child, Frank Harold Crispell, aged seventeen months. The Doctor is a steward in the Methodist Church and a faithful follower of its teachings. He belongs to the Poughkeepsie Lodge of Masons and to the American Legion. He is a progressive and capable exponent of his profession and keeps in touch with the great truths which science is constantly revealing through his membership in the Dutchess-Putnam Medical Society, the New York State Medical Society and the American Medical Association.

JOSEPH F. HORAN

Joseph F. Horan, assistant assessor of Poughkeepsie and one of its prominent attorneys, was born July 14, 1869, in the city where he still resides. His parents, Lawrence and Bridget (Hoban) Horan, were natives of County Galway, Ireland, and were married in New York city, establishing their home in Poughkeepsie soon afterward. Eight children were born to them. Mary was engaged in teaching in this city for a number of years and by her marriage to John F. Michaels has become the mother of three children; Mary Adelaide, the wife of C. W. Hanson, who was chief engineer on the construction of the Mid-

Hudson Bridge; William J. and John Raymond Michaels. The other children of Mr. and Mrs. Horan were: Kate and Anna, deceased; Helen, now Mrs. Simon Satore; Louise, Peter and Michael, who have also passed away; and Joseph F.

The last named pursued his education in parochial and public schools of Poughkeepsie, the Poughkeepsie high school and in preparation for a legal career in the office of Hackett & Williams of Poughkeepsie, New York, then enrolled as a student in the Albany Law School, which numbers him among its alumni of 1890. Following his admission to the bar he located in New York city, where he practiced successfully for eleven years. Subsequently he was associated with Judge Hasbrouck in Poughkeepsie for several years and also with the law firm of Hackett & Williams. Mr. Horan devotes much time and thought to the preparation of his cases, while in trial he is ready and resourceful and his logic carries conviction to the minds of court and jury. His powers have grown through the exercise of effort and he has successfully handled much important litigation.

Mr. Horan was united in marriage to Miss Mary T. Shinnors, a daughter of Richard and Bridget (Murray) Shinnors, of Newburgh, New York. In 1929 Mr. Horan was appointed assistant city assessor and efficiently discharges his public duties. He belongs to the Knights of Columbus and to the Dutchess County, New York State and American Bar Associations. In all relations of life he has conformed his conduct to a high standard and has not only won a gratifying measure of professional success but the esteem and confidence of his fellowmen as well.

HAROLD R. DEAN

Many important public projects have been successfully handled by Harold R. Dean, a well known consulting engineer who has maintained an office in Poughkeepsie since 1922. He was born in Beacon, Dutchess county, New York, January 7, 1892, a son of Edgar G. Dean and a member of an old family of Taun-

ton, Massachusetts. The father, a shoe merchant, was engaged in business at Beacon for many years. The mother, Mary (Reynolds) Dean, was a daughter of Joseph Reynolds, whose forbears were among the early settlers of Dutchess county.

Harold R. Dean acquired his grammar school education in his native town and attended the Poughkeepsie high school, completing his studies in the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, Michigan. Following his graduation he was identified with the engineering department of several railroads, subsequently making an intensive study of sewage disposal and water supply, and has since devoted his attention largely to engineering work of that character. At Albany, New York, he enlisted for service in the World war and was in training at Camp Devens, Massachusetts, where he was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Engineers Corps, but later was transferred to the Tank Corps. With his outfit he went overseas, arriving in England, April 5, 1918, and landed in France on the 6th of July. He saw combat service in the drive on the Hindenburg line, was wounded in action on September 27th and spent five months in hospitals in France and England. During the period of his convalescence he was also in England at Base Hospital No. 29, at St. Catharine's Lodge Hospital and at Lancaster Gate. While at the front he was reconnaissance officer, attached to Company A, Three Hundred and First Battalion of the Tank Corps. On returning to the United States he was sent to the Polyclinic Hospital in New York city and later to the Base Hospital at Camp Devens and there he was mustered out of service.

Following the war, Mr. Dean was connected with the New York State Department of Health for a time, and later acted as Designing Engineer on a large sewage project in Ohio. In 1922 he became a permanent resident of Poughkeepsie. He maintains an office at 234 Main street and has established a reputation as a Consultant on engineering subjects, especially in municipal engineering and aerial photography. He is retained as Consulting Engineer by several large corporations in the Hudson Valley and is Consulting Engineer to the Planning Commission of the city of Poughkeepsie.

Mr. Dean was married in 1921 to Elizabeth Tracy Ingalls, of Castleton on the Hudson, New York. Mrs. Dean is the daughter of Harvey and Harriet Ingalls, and a graduate of Mount Holyoke and Columbia Colleges. Mr. and Mrs. Dean have one son, David Winslow.

Mr. Dean has always been deeply interested in the progress and betterment of the city, and has given a great deal of his time and knowledge to that end.

From his boyhood, Mr. Dean has been an active member of the First Baptist Church, and served as President of the Board of Trustees for five years. He is a Director of the Associated Charities and the Young Men's Christian Association, a member of the Amrita Club, the American Legion and the Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity, also a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, the National Conference on City Planning and the New York State Sewage Works Association.

His talents, natural and acquired, supplemented by his force of character and concentrated effort, have enabled him to climb steadily upward in his profession and his work represents the highest degree of efficiency in the line in which he specializes.

DAVID H. VAN WAGENEN

The sterling traits of his Dutch ancestors have been manifest in the career of David H. Van Wagenen, who is engaged in merchandising at New Paltz, successfully carrying forward the business established by his grandfather. Born March 8, 1897, in the village where he still resides, he is a son of Eugene Van Wagenen, who was a native of Rifton, Ulster county. The grandfather, Nathan Van Wagenen, resided at Plutarch, New York, and represented one of the oldest families of Ulster county. In addition to the cultivation of his farm he conducted a store at New Paltz for many years and also served as postmaster. His wife was Mary Smith.

Their son, Eugene Van Wagenen, attended country schools,

acquiring a limited education, for when a lad of fourteen he went to work in his father's store at Plutarch. The latter was also engaged in merchandising in New Paltz at the same time and eventually closed the store in Plutarch. At his retirement his son, Eugene Van Wagenen, took charge of the New Paltz business, which he capably conducted until his death on the 24th of March, 1930. Important public trusts were reposed in Mr. Van Wagenen, who served for a number of years as a member of the board of supervisors, as town clerk and as treasurer of the village of New Paltz. He met every requirement of these offices and also efficiently discharged the duties of treasurer of the New Paltz Water Company, while he was likewise a director of the New Paltz Savings Bank. A stalwart republican, he was active in both town and county politics and several times was a committeeman. Because of his deep interest in all public projects of worth he was chosen a member of the bridge committee and was serving on the tuberculosis committee of Ulster county at the time of his death. He belonged to the Highland Lodge of Masons at New Paltz and was treasurer of the local lodge of Odd Fellows and also of the Dutch Reformed Church at New Paltz. He was a charter member of the New Paltz fire department and was likewise identified with the Dutch Arms Society. Mr. Van Wagenen was a broad-minded man of marked public spirit and his activities and interests covered a wide scope. The moral force of his character entered into the very fiber of the life of his community and he enjoyed to the fullest extent the respect, confidence and esteem of all who were privileged to know him.

Mr. Van Wagenen was married in New Paltz to Miss Marion Henion, a daughter of David Henion, of Towners, Putnam county, New York. Mrs. Van Wagenen attended the State Normal School at New Paltz and for some time was a student teacher at that institution. She still makes her home in the village and is one of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

David H. Van Wagenen, an only child, is a direct descendant of Johannes Van Wagenen, who came to this country from Holland, casting his lot with the earliest settlers of Ulster county,

and here members of the family have lived for generations, taking a leading part in the work of development and progress. The public schools and the Normal School at New Paltz afforded the educational advantages enjoyed by David H. Van Wagenen, who chose a commercial career in preference to that of a teacher and early in life entered his father's store in New Paltz. In this establishment he has since continued, concentrating his attention upon the task of developing the trade and increasing the scope of the enterprise, and is now at the head of a business which has been controlled in succession by three generations of the family. His is one of the oldest and largest mercantile institutions in the village and year by year the store has grown in usefulness and in service.

On the 24th of June, 1928, Mr. Van Wagenen was married to Miss Eleanor B. Owen, a daughter of Charles B. Owen, an expert die cutter, employed in the Roller Bearing Works at Poughkeepsie, New York. Adhering to the faith of his forbears, Mr. Van Wagenen has membership in the Dutch Reformed Church and is a faithful follower of all its teachings. He is identified with the Dutch Arms and has passed through all the chairs in the New Paltz Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, of which he is a past grand, while he likewise has fraternal relations with the Knights of Pythias. As a member of the New Paltz fire department he expresses his loyalty to his community, and that Mr. Van Wagenen is a young man of strong character and real worth is shown in the respect accorded him by his fellow townsmen, with whom his life has been spent.

WILLIAM L. GELLERT

William L. Gellert, attorney at law, is engaged in general practice of law in the city of Poughkeepsie, New York. He was born in Poughkeepsie on May 7th, 1876, and is the son of Henry B. and Dora Livingston Gellert, who settled in the city of Poughkeepsie in about the year 1861. Henry B. Gellert was born in

Bromberg, Germany, and Dora Livingston Gellert was born in Exin, Germany; five children were born of this union, namely, Abram L., Sophie, Edward, William L., and Jeannette. After completing the regular course at Poughkeepsie high school, William L. Gellert entered Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, from which he was graduated in 1895 with the degree of Bachelor of Laws. After several years of clerkship in the office of Hon. Frank B. Lown, in the city of Poughkeepsie, Mr. Gellert became connected with the law firm of Guggenheimer, Untermyer & Marshall, New York city, and later practiced in that city. Later Mr. Gellert returned to Poughkeepsie and opened a law office at No. 3 Cannon street, Poughkeepsie, New York, where his office is now located. Mr. Gellert is a member of the Delta Chi fraternity, the Cornell University Club of Dutchess County, Cornell Club of New York, Dutchess County Bar Association and Dutchess County Historical Society.

RALPH F. BUTTS

Ralph F. Butts, a leading member of the bar and a former mayor of Poughkeepsie, was born in that city on the 6th of April, 1878, and is a descendant of one of the colonial families of America. He traces his ancestry back to Thomas Butts, who was born in Norfolk, England, and came to the new world May 18, 1660, and lived at Portsmouth and Little Compton, Rhode Island, which were then in Massachusetts and a part of the Plymouth colony. He died in 1703, leaving a will, which was proved and recorded in the probate office at Taunton, Bristol county, Massachusetts. His son, Moses Butts, born in Little Compton, July 30, 1673, became the father of John Butts, who married Alice Woodell at Tiverton, Rhode Island, October 26, 1727. Soon after his marriage John Butts moved from Rhode Island and settled in the easterly part of the town of Washington, Dutchess county, New York, then called Crom Elbow precinct. In 1748 he purchased a farm of two hundred acres from Isaac Thorn, one of the early

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settlers. This farm is located on the division line between the towns of Amenia and Washington and the locality has since been known as "Butts Hollow." There is a tradition in the Butts family that John Butts took this land in payment of wages for carpenter work in building a house for Isaac Thorn at the rate of an acre of land for a day's work. The Thorn house is located near the village of Mechanic, in the town of Washington. John Butts was the father of Moses Butts (II), who died before his father made his will, June 26, 1783. The wills of John Butts and of Moses Butts described them as "Charlotte Precinct" in Dutchess county. The said Moses Butts (II) was the father of Daniel Butts, who married Isabel Gardner, and afterward moved to the town of Greenbush, Rensselaer county, New York. About 1800 Daniel Butts moved back to Dutchess county and settled in the northerly part of the town of Stanford, near Cold Spring. He purchased a farm of one hundred and sixty acres and in 1811 built a large and substantial house, which is still standing, and has the same general appearance as when built.

Daniel Butts had twelve children, of whom Moses Butts (III) was born in 1786 and married in 1806 Mary Waltermire, daughter of David Waltermire, and died in the town of Stanford, June 4, 1851.

The said Moses Butts (III) was the father of George F. Butts, who married for his first wife Eliza D. Case, who died November 30, 1872. For his second wife he married Cornelia S. Alling, who now resides with her niece, Mrs. Mary E. Doughty, on Lafayette place in the city of Poughkeepsie. Mrs. Butts is now ninety-seven years of age.

George F. Butts by his first wife was the father of Allison Butts (the father of Ralph F. Butts), who was also a native of Stanford and spent his early life on a farm. As a young man he taught school for a time, later becoming a deputy in the office of the county clerk of Dutchess county, and while acting in that capacity he devoted his leisure hours to the study of law. He was admitted to the bar and practiced for many years in partnership with John Hackett, now deceased, gaining high standing as

a lawyer. He first married Phoebe D. Mosher, a daughter of Allen A. Mosher, whose forbears were early settlers in Stanford, and a son, Ralph F., was born to them. By his second wife, who was Arrie E. Mosher, Allison Butts had four children: Norman C., now a landscape architect; Allison, Jr., a professor of metallurgy at Lehigh University; Wilbur K., a member of the faculty of Milliken University; and Alfred, an architect in New York city.

Liberal educational advantages were accorded Ralph F. Butts, who attended the public schools of Poughkeepsie and the Riverview Military Academy, afterward taking a preparatory course in the Phillips Exeter Academy. He then entered Harvard University, from which he was graduated in 1899, having won the degrees of A. B. and A. M. from that institution. His law studies were pursued in the office of Hackett & Butts, his father's firm, and in June, 1902, he was admitted to the bar. Subsequently he entered upon individual practice and has won success and prominence in the legal profession, due to his clear understanding of the principles of jurisprudence, his careful preparation of his cases and his ability to present his contention in the strongest possible light. Financial interests of importance also claim a share of his attention, for he is vice president of the Farmers Bank of Poughkeepsie and has made his cooperation of value to the institution.

Mr. Butts was married to Miss Harriet V. A. Tripp, by whom he has four children: Franklin A., Mrs. Dorothy B. Garrett, Marian V. A. and Charles A.

Mr. Butts belongs to the Amrita Club and in fraternal circles he is well known through his connection with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and the Triune Lodge of Masons. He is chairman of the Dutchess County Chapter of the American Red Cross Society, a trustee of St. Francis Hospital and also of the Young Men's Christian Association of Poughkeepsie. In addition to these interests he is a member of the Playground and Recreation Association of America and is a life member of the Young America Hose Company.

Mr. Butts has a keen sense of his duties and obligations as a citizen and his public service has been of a most helpful character along lines affecting the general welfare. He was corporation counsel of Poughkeepsie for three years and assistant district attorney for one year, acceptably filling these offices. In 1917 he was the popular choice for mayor and was reelected in 1919 on the democratic ticket. He entered the office holding to high ideals and from these he never deviated. From the outset he manifested an unusual capacity for the direction of municipal affairs and many improvements were made during his administration. It was largely through his initiative and continued effort that Memorial Field was acquired by private subscription, and conveyed to the city, fully equipped, at about one-half of its total cost. His regime was marked by honest and efficient expenditure of the citizens' money and through conservative financing the city was enabled to pay off much of its bonded debt during his tenure of office. Most of the modern sanitation and public health measures were adopted by the board of health during his service as mayor. Many public schools were erected during his administration, which was also noted for a vast amount of street improvements and general physical improvement of utilities and facilities. Strong in his ability to plan and to perform, strong in his honor and his good name, Mr. Butts has served Poughkeepsie with rare fidelity and his influence upon the life of his city has been of the highest order.

MAX MICHAEL SIMON, M. D.

Dr. Max Michael Simon is engaged in the practice of surgery at Poughkeepsie and although but thirty-one years of age, he has gained wide-spread prominence in his profession through his important contributions to medical literature. He was born in this city September 15, 1899, a son of Isaac and Goldie (Katz) Simon, both of whom are natives of Poland. They were married in that country and in 1898 sailed for America, with Brooklyn,

New York, as their destination. From that city they proceeded to Bayonne, New Jersey, but soon afterward removed to Poughkeepsie, arriving here in 1899, and later the father became prominently identified with mercantile interests of the city. Three sons were born to Mr. and Mrs. Simon: Max Michael; Moses, a pharmacy student at Columbia University; and Samuel, who is a student at Union College, Schenectady, New York, and is preparing for the practice of medicine.

After acquiring his public school education Dr. Max M. Simon matriculated in Union College, which conferred upon him the degree of B. S. in 1921, and four years later he received the M. D. degree from Cornell University Medical College, New York. His first practical experience in the profession came to him as an interne of Lebanon Hospital and also at the Hospital for Joint Diseases, both in New York city. In October, 1927, he returned to Poughkeepsie and here he has since engaged in practice, devoting his attention to surgical work. Skillful and well poised, he has successfully performed many difficult operations and is a member of the staffs of St. Francis and Vassar Hospitals. During the World war he was in the service of his country, enlisting October 3, 1918, and was in training with the field artillery at Camp Zachary Taylor near Louisville, Kentucky. Following the war he became a first lieutenant in the Medical Reserve Corps of the United States Army. After his discharge he returned to Union College and through study and research he has constantly added to his fund of scientific knowledge. He has been a frequent contributor to the New York Medical Journal and Record and among his best known articles is one on the "Fractured Base of the Skull" and another on the "Dislocation of the Elbow."

Dr. Simon was married to Miss Zerlene Lehman, a native of Brooklyn, New York, and a daughter of Frederick and Theresa (Eichberg) Lehman. Dr. and Mrs. Simon have one child, Georgene. Along social and fraternal lines the Doctor has connection with the Masonic fraternity and the Exchange Club. He is a member of the Dutchess-Putnam Medical Society, the New

York State Medical Society, the American Medical Association and the Alumni Associations of Lebanon Hospital and the Hospital for Joint Diseases, American Legion, Kappa Nu and Phi Delta Epsilon fraternities. He has accomplished much for one of his years and by reason of his close application, his progressive spirit and his scientific attainments is destined to go far in his profession.

JOHN B. VAN DE WATER

John B. Van De Water, corporation counsel for Poughkeepsie and a lawyer of high standing, was born in Hyde Park, Dutchess county, January 10, 1892, and is a son of H. Fremont Van De Water, a native of the same place. As the name indicates, the family is of Dutch origin and has been represented in New York from the time of the establishment of the colony of New Amsterdam. The Van De Water family was founded in America by four brothers, who emigrated from Holland to the new world, two settling in Fishkill, New York, one in New York city and the other in Canada. Harmon Van De Water, the great-great-grandfather of John B. Van De Water, married Maria Barnes of Poughkeepsie, and William Van De Water, one of their sons, married Lavina Ward and settled on a farm in Hyde Park, where four generations of the family have lived. Their son, Henry, married Margaret Boyce, a daughter of Jacob Boyce and Olive Morse of the Town of Stanford. They were the parents of H. Fremont Van De Water, whose wife, Elizabeth Lasher, was a daughter of Andrew Lasher, a son of Conrad Lasher, a member of one of the old families of Germantown, Columbia county. Her mother was Elizabeth Cooper, a daughter of Jeremiah Cooper of Woodstock, Ulster county. To Mr. and Mrs. H. Fremont Van De Water were born three children: Clara E., now the wife of Ira Davenport Waterman; John B.; and Donald F., a student at the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute of Troy, New York.

John B. Van De Water acquired his early education in the public schools of Hyde Park and Poughkeepsie and made preparation for his chosen vocation by reading law in the office of Judge C. W. H. Arnold and taking a course in the New York Law School, which numbers him among its alumni of 1913. He was admitted to the bar in 1914 and was associated with Judge Arnold in the practice of law until 1928 when he established his own office. Since the 1st of January, 1930, he has been corporation counsel for Poughkeepsie, meeting every requirement of the office. He is a strong and able lawyer, logical in his deductions, and clear and concise in his presentation of a case.

Mr. Van De Water was married to Miss Alice Mason, a native of New York city and a daughter of Andrew and Anna (Smith) Mason. Mr. and Mrs. Van De Water have become the parents of two sons, John M. and Robert Barclay. In fraternal circles Mr. Van De Water is well known through his connection with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Triune Lodge of Masons. He is a director of the Dutchess County Golf and Country Club, a member of the Amrita Club, Rotary Club and the Dutchess County Bar Association. He holds to high standards in professional service and his colleagues and contemporaries unite in bearing testimony to his ability and worth.

CORNELIUS L. VAN ORDEN

The name of Cornelius L. Van Orden is closely associated with the history of the New Paltz Savings Bank, for he has been its president since 1916, guiding the destiny of an institution which has been a vital force for progress in this district for sixty years. He was born in Gardiner, Ulster county, December 8, 1857, a son of Solomon Van Orden, who was a prosperous farmer and a man of prominence in his township. The mother, Sarah (Le Fevre) Van Orden, was a descendant of Simon Le Fevre, one of the twelve patentees of New Paltz. To Mr. and Mrs. Van Orden were born five children, two of whom died when very

young: Mary was married to Charles Minard, who passed away, leaving two sons, Howard and Solomon. She is now the wife of George Lundy and lives on Long Island. Gertrude is the wife of Herman Du Bois, of New Paltz, and the mother of seven children: Ellen, Mary, Ruth, Raymond, John, Eugene and Donald.

Cornelius L. Van Orden, who completes the family, was a pupil in the New Paltz Academy for three years and next attended a military academy at Poughkeepsie, New York, after which he returned to the home place and for some time his attention was concentrated upon its cultivation. At the age of twenty-three he was married, remaining on the homestead for two years thereafter, when he removed with his wife to the Deyo property, and after his father's death took charge of the home farm, which he managed for twelve years. While engaged in agricultural pursuits he became a trustee of the New Paltz Savings Bank, continuing a member of the board for many years, and in 1916 succeeded A. B. Du Bois in the office of president. To the difficult problems that are daily presented to him for solution he brings keen perception, combined with a comprehensive grasp of financial affairs, and the policy which he has followed is such as carefully safeguards the interest of depositors and stockholders and at the same time promotes the success of the institution. The bank was organized in 1871 and its first president was Thaddeus Hait, who occupied the office for many years. Mr. Van Orden is also a director of the Huguenot National Bank of New Paltz, which has likewise profited by his wisdom and experience.

On the 20th of October, 1881, Mr. Van Orden was married to Miss Cornelia Le Fevre, who was born in Kettleboro, Ulster county, July 14, 1859, a daughter of Josiah and Mary (Du Bois) Le Fevre. Mr. and Mrs. Van Orden were the parents of five children, of whom one died in infancy. Solomon supplemented his public school education by attendance at the New Paltz Normal School and the Ithaca Agricultural College, after which he took charge of the home farm in Ulster county. He married Miss Agnes Clark, by whom he has two daughters, Elsa and Lorna. Sarah May is the wife of Joseph Hasbrouck, Jr., who is engaged

in merchandising in Modena and owns a farm and other real estate in Ulster county. Their children are Joseph O. and Leah C. Ethel was married to Frederick Wilklow, a farmer and fruit grower of Lloyd township, and they have two children, Cornelius and Freda. Elsa is the wife of Frank Baker, an orchardist, and they reside in Marlboro, Ulster county.

Mr. Van Orden and his family have long been zealous members of the New Paltz Reformed Church and for years he has been identified with the Huguenot Grange. During the World war period he was active in the Liberty Loan campaigns and other drives instituted by the government at that time. During the incumbency of Frank J. Le Fevre in the office of state senator Mr. Van Orden was made clerk of the revision and village committees, serving acceptably for two terms. His life has been rightly lived and at the age of seventy-three years, he is well preserved, enjoying both physical and mental vigor. He stands for all that counts as an asset in public progress and community welfare and is highly esteemed by reason of his civic loyalty, his strict honesty, his innate courtesy and sympathetic, kindly nature.

CHESTER HUSTED

The nature and extent of the legal interests intrusted to Chester Husted establish his position among the leading attorneys of Poughkeepsie, where he has practiced for nearly a quarter of a century. He was born in Pleasant Valley, New York, April 12, 1883, and is a scion of a family that has been represented in this country since 1638. It was in that year that Robert Husted left his home in Dorsetshire, England, and came to America, settling in Stamford, Connecticut, while later he became a resident of Greenwich, that state. Thaddeus Husted, the great-grandfather of Chester Husted, was born in Connecticut and served under General Washington in the Revolutionary war. Subsequently he came to New York and was the first of the family to locate in

Pleasant Valley. His first wife was Rhoda Davenport and following her death he married Demaris Meade. By his first wife he had a son, Nathaniel Husted, who was born in Pleasant Valley and in young manhood married Elmira Burhams. They had a son, Albert N. Husted, who was a Union soldier in the Civil war. Another son, Edward B. Husted, the father of Chester Husted, was a native of Pleasant Valley and married Emily Conover, a daughter of Peter and Sarah (Van Waggoner) Conover, the latter of early Dutch ancestry. Mr. Conover was a native of Dutchess county and a son of Abraham Conover.

Chester Husted is one of a family of six children. His public school education was acquired in Poughkeepsie and in preparation for a legal career he secured a position in the office of John Hackett, under whose supervision he pursued the study of law. Having mastered the fundamental principles of jurisprudence, he was admitted to the bar and since 1907 has followed his profession in Poughkeepsie. He is regarded as a safe counselor and as an advocate he is logical, forceful and convincing. He has successfully handled many difficult cases and his business in the courts is steadily increasing, due to his ability, his devotion to the interests of his clients and to the high standards of his profession.

PHEBE BROWN, M. D.

On the list of business and professional women in Poughkeepsie appears the name of Dr. Phebe Brown, who is serving as city physician and has engaged in practice here for a period of seven years. She was born in Unionville, Orange county, New York, and is following in the professional footsteps of her grandfather, Joseph M. Brown, who practiced medicine for a time. The great-grandfather, Daniel Brown, removed to Orange county from Long Island. His wife was Caroline Pamela Brown. Their son, Joseph Matthews Brown, was born on the home farm in Orange county and married Phebe Lain. They were the parents of Eber Lain Brown, who was born in New Jersey and first married

Sarah Sheppard. By his second wife, Caroline (Lain) Brown, he had twelve children, the following three still living: Phebe, Joseph and Eber, Jr.

The daughter was graduated from the high school at Middletown and in preparation for the career of her choice matriculated in the University of Buffalo, from which she received the M. D. degree in 1921. Following this she served as an interne in a hospital at Detroit, was connected with the Woman's Hospital in Philadelphia for a year and with the West Philadelphia Hospital for nine months. Thus she had gained considerable experience in medical work before locating at Poughkeepsie in January, 1924, and now enjoys a large practice, specializing in the diseases of women and children. Skillful, decisive and well poised, Dr. Brown inspires confidence and trust in her patients and beneficial results have attended her ministrations. In recognition of her ability she was made city physician—an office which she has since filled acceptably, and she has membership in the Dutchess-Putnam Medical Society and the New York State Medical Society. Steadily advancing, she has attained a place of prominence in her particular field and in all that she does is prompted by the spirit of helpfulness and an earnest desire to serve humanity.

HOWARD M. SAGER

Howard M. Sager, organizer and head of the Sager-Spuck Supply Company and one of Albany's successful business men, was born in Slingerlands, New York, May 3, 1887, a son of Sanford and Martha (Jones) Sager. His grandfather, Elias Sager, a native of Albany county, made farming his life work and was a resident of Guilderland, New York, at the time of his death. Sanford Sager was born in 1861 and both he and his wife have always lived in Guilderland. He is one of the prosperous agriculturists of Albany county and votes with the democratic party, while his religious views are in harmony with the doctrines of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

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HOWARD M. SAGER

Reared in his native town, Howard M. Sager acquired a high school education and at the age of seventeen joined the clerical force of the Delaware & Hudson River Railroad, working for the company for eighteen months. He was with the Albany Belting & Supply Company at 372 Broadway for seventeen years, acting as a salesman in the store for seven years and representing the house upon the road for ten years. His work for the company was not continuous, however, for he enlisted in June, 1918, and after intensive training at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, sailed for England with the Three Hundred and Thirty-sixth Battalion tank corps. With this outfit he went from England to France. He spent seven months overseas and was honorably discharged at Camp Upton, Long Island, May 13, 1919, at which time he was a corporal of his company. Mr. Sager then resumed his activities with the Albany Belting & Supply Company and continued as an employe until 1923, when he started out for himself, organizing the Sager-Spuck Supply Company, which has been incorporated. He is president of this corporation, which handles factory and construction equipment, occupying a building at 364 Broadway, owned by H. M. Sager, Inc., of which he is also the chief executive officer. His powers of organization and administration have been effectively used and his interests are steadily expanding.

Mr. Sager was married June 17, 1917 in Watertown, New York, to Miss Edna Lillian Adams, who was born in Sacket Harbor, New York, and is a daughter of Adelbert K. and Lillian (Lepper) Adams, natives of Watertown, where the father, a retired commercial traveler, still resides, but the mother is deceased. Mrs. Sager is a graduate of the Watertown high school and of the State Normal at Potsdam and previous to her marriage engaged in teaching at Watertown. She has become the mother of a daughter, Jean Eva, born November 2, 1922.

Mr. and Mrs. Sager reside at 17 Edgewood avenue, Albany. They have membership in the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church. Fraternally he is a Mason, identified with Noah Lodge, No. 754, F. & A. M., and has crossed the hot sands of the desert

with the nobles of Cyprus Temple of the Mystic Shrine. When he has the leisure he plays golf and is also an enthusiastic fisherman. He is a member of the Albany Country Club, the Albany Chamber of Commerce and the Eastern New York Society of Engineers. Mr. Sager has a wide acquaintance in this city, where he has spent the greater part of his life, and is esteemed for his business enterprise and ability as well as for his integrity and depth of character.

JAMES RODNEY PEELOR

James Rodney Peelor, who is doing important work as police commissioner of Poughkeepsie and has been prominently identified with the business life of the city for sixteen years, was born in Madalin, Dutchess county, May 29, 1885, a son of Philip R. Peelor and a grandson of Philip Peelor, the former a native of the same place. The father, an enterprising and successful merchant, conducted a general store in Madalin for many years. He also served as postmaster there and later in life was a clerk in the post office in New York city. The mother, who bore the maiden name of Anna Afflick, was of Dutch ancestry, belonging to a family that was established in the Hudson River Valley in colonial times, and in the maternal line she was related to the Feroes, who were also numbered among the early settlers of this part of the state. Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Peelor were the parents of three children: Florence, the wife of Louis Ackerman; Percy, who married Beulah Cooper and has two children, David and Patricia; and James Rodney.

The younger son was reared in Madalin, obtaining a public school education, and his commercial training was received in the employ of the A. G. Spaulding Brothers Company of New York city. Later he removed to Kingston, New York, where he entered the automobile business, and in 1915 allied his interests with those of Poughkeepsie. Here he formed the J. R. Peelor Company and has since been the executive head of the organiza-

tion, which is the wholesale distributor of the Firestone tires in this district. Through close attention to detail, judicious management and the maintenance of a high standard of service he has fostered the growth of the business and his has become one of the largest firms of the kind in the valley. He is also a director of the Merchants Bank of Poughkeepsie.

Mr. Peelor was married to Miss Emma Eberhardt, who was also born in Madalin and is a daughter of Christian Eberhardt. Mr. and Mrs. Peelor have five children: Phillia, who is a student at the New Jersey State College for Women; and James, Robert, Margaret and Elizabeth, at home. Mr. Peelor belongs to the Triune Lodge of Masons and to the chapter, council, commandery and shrine. He is also identified with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Kiwanis Club and the Golf Club, being a director of the last named organization. In January, 1931, he was appointed commissioner of police, his first political office, and is exerting his best efforts in behalf of the city, doing all in his power to maintain law and order.

FRANK C. FURLONG, M. D.

Dr. Frank C. Furlong, practicing in Poughkeepsie, with office at 13 North Clover street, is a successful physician whose well developed powers have carried him into important relations. A native of Italy, he was born at Postiglione, in the province of Salerno, June 24, 1890, and is a son of Anthony and Vincenza Juliana Furlong. The husband preceded his wife and infant son to this country by several months and in giving his name to the immigration officials they incorrectly translated Forlan into Furlong, which form has been retained by the American branch of the family, although the original spelling has been used in Italy for generations. At Poughkeepsie the husband, wife and son were reunited and soon afterward the family removed to Highland, Ulster county, where Mrs. Furlong's demise occurred on the 2d of November, 1897. She was long survived by her hus-

band, who passed away April 3, 1920. His second wife was Mary Marcigliano, who proved a real mother to her stepson, Frank Carmine.

Doctor Furlong was a pupil of St. Peters parochial school in Poughkeepsie for a short time. Later, moving to Ulster county, he attended the public schools and high school of Highland, New York, during which time he did various kinds of work in order to continue with his school work.

For six years he was first assistant to the chief of the staff of St. Francis Hospital, and still retains a membership on the medical staff of St. Francis Hospital and a courtesy appointment to the staff of Vassar Brothers Hospital. He has been a member of the staff of Bowne Memorial Hospital for eight years.

In 1919 he was appointed city physician and held that position for one year. He was also parochial school physician for four years during the administrations of former Mayors Butts and Wilbur. In 1929 he was appointed to the Civil Service Board and the next year was elected the Board's president, which position he still holds. Mayor Lovelace appointed him a member of the Zoning commission in 1927 and he served for three years until his term expired in 1930 and relinquished this appointment because he was already a member of the Civil Service Board.

Frank C. Furlong completed his high school course in 1910 and then enrolled as a student in the Albany Medical College, from which he was graduated in 1914, serving as secretary during senior year. The following year he was an interne of the men's hospital at Albany and then became connected with the workhouse hospital on Blackwell's Island, at that time under the direction of Katherine Davis, one of the commissioners of New York and the only woman commissioner serving on the board during that period. In May, 1915, Dr. Furlong returned to Poughkeepsie and with the passing years his practice has steadily increased as he has had opportunity to demonstrate his scientific knowledge and ability to cope with disease.

On the 31st of July, 1916, Dr. Furlong was married to Miss Carmela Mauro, a daughter of Joseph and Catherine Mauro, of

Gloversville, New York. Mrs. Furlong is a graduate of the State Normal School at New Paltz and prior to her marriage was a teacher in the high school at Gloversville. A Roman Catholic in religious faith, she is a communicant of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church at Poughkeepsie and the Doctor was one of its trustees. He is identified with Poughkeepsie Council of the Knights of Columbus, Poughkeepsie Lodge, No. 275, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Dutchess Golf and Country Club, and his college fraternity is Alpha Phi Delta. In the society of Sons of Italy he has filled important offices, serving as district deputy for Dutchess county through appointment of the Grand Lodge, is a past assistant grand master of the state organization and is now chairman of board of trustees of Progressive Lodge, Poughkeepsie. He is a member of the Poughkeepsie Academy of Medicine, the Dutchess County and New York State Medical Societies, the New York State Industrial Surgeons Association and the American Medical Association. Early in life he recognized the fact that hard work constitutes the basis of advancement in every line of endeavor, and the habits of diligence and thoroughness, combined with his talents, natural and acquired, have brought him to the fore in his profession.

For eight years he was chief surgeon for Moline Plow Company, the largest manufacturers of harvesting machines in the east. Dr. Furlong was the first to establish a fully equipped first-aid room in any plant in this section of the state. Once each month there was a lecture by Dr. Furlong on first-aid.

HON. JOHN N. VANDERLYN

Honorable John N. Vanderlyn has been a practicing attorney of New Paltz for fifty-five years and during that time he has won the respect and esteem not only of his own townsmen but of many people throughout Ulster county with whom he has been brought in contact in the performance of his professional and

official duties. He is a native of Orange county, New York, and a son of Levi Vanderlyn, who was born in Gardiner, Ulster county. After attending rural schools near his home the father took up agricultural pursuits, which he followed throughout life, becoming the owner of a tract of fertile land in the town of Montgomery, Orange county. This place, embracing about one hundred and twenty acres, was at one time the farm of Johannes Newkirk and the records of the property extend back to the Revolutionary war period in American history. Levi Vanderlyn married Elizabeth Newkirk, a native of Montgomery, Orange county, and four children were born to them. Three have passed away: Ann Elizabeth, who was the wife of Robert Sinsabough, the owner of a farm near Crawford in Orange county; Emma, who lived at home; and Abram, who participated in the battles of Gettysburg, Chancellorsville and the Wilderness and while in the service of the Union received injuries which later caused his death.

John N. Vanderlyn, the only member of the family now living, attended the district school of the neighborhood and graduated from Montgomery Academy, and his first knowledge of legal procedure was gained in the office of that veteran of the bar, Hon. Joseph M. Wilkin. After one year of preparatory study Mr. Vanderlyn enrolled in the Albany Law School, from which so many eminent practitioners have graduated, and when he had completed a course in this institution he entered the law office of Newkirk & Chase at Hudson, New York, the senior partner, Judge Newkirk, being his maternal uncle. For several years he remained in Hudson and then removed to New Paltz, where he has since followed his profession, winning a substantial measure of success. In 1886 he was elected district attorney of Ulster county by a large majority, succeeding Hon. A. T. Clearwater in the office, to which he was reelected in November, 1889, and completed the full term of six years. While thus serving many important criminal cases were tried in Ulster county and Mr. Vanderlyn clearly demonstrated his capacity for the work of a public prosecutor. It was during his second term that the de-

faulting treasurer and assistant treasurer of the Ulster County Savings Institution were indicted and tried for having appropriated about six hundred thousand dollars of the depositors' money. The diligence, vigor and ability shown in this trial reflected credit upon the prosecuting officer, through whose efforts both of the defaulters were convicted and sent to the Dannemora state prison. In 1897 Mr. Vanderlyn's name was brought before the republican county convention for county judge but he failed to secure the nomination. In 1915 he was a member of the state constitutional convention held at Albany. During the years of his practice he has successfully handled many cases of importance and has a large clientele in the southern portion of the county. In the presentation of a cause he is always well fortified by a comprehensive understanding of the legal principles applicable thereto and enjoys a well merited reputation for ability and integrity.

On the 31st of January, 1878, Judge Vanderlyn was married in New Paltz to Miss Magdalena L. Hasbrouck, a daughter of Joseph and Sarah (Le Fevre) Hasbrouck. Joseph Hasbrouck Vanderlyn, the only son of this marriage, was born at New Paltz in 1881 and after completing a course in the New Paltz Academy attended Cornell University, which conferred upon him the Bachelor of Arts degree June 18, 1903. He was next a student at the Albany Law School, graduating as a member of the class of May 31, 1905. With his admission to the bar he at once joined his father in general practice under the firm name of J. N. & J. H. Vanderlyn, and soon became recognized as one of Ulster county's talented lawyers.

He was a director of the Stuyvesant Hotel of Kingston, attorney for the village of New Paltz and was serving on the board of supervisors at the time of his death, which occurred in June, 1917, when he was a young man of thirty-six years. His fraternal affiliations were with the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, the Knights of Pythias, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He belonged to the New Paltz fire department and for years was

a member of the Kingston Club. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Vanderlyn became the parents of a daughter, Magdalena, who is a graduate of Wheaton College at Norton, Massachusetts, class of 1931.

Judge Vanderlyn is a member of the Ulster County, New York State and American Bar Associations. Engrossed in his legal work, he gives to it his undivided attention and is a man of steadfast purpose and high standards who has dignified the profession of his choice.

A. R. MOFFIT, M. D.

Dr. A. R. Moffit, who came to the Hudson River Valley from the middle west, is an outstanding surgeon of Poughkeepsie and has here engaged in practice for twenty-four years. Born in Princeville, Illinois, October 11, 1876, he is a son of Aaron Carleton Moffit and a grandson of Francis Moffit, who was a pioneer farmer of Peoria county. The last named married a Miss Carleton and their son, Aaron Carleton Moffit, was born on the homestead in central Illinois. His second wife, Mary Jane (Rowcliffe) Moffit, was a daughter of William and Mary (Ford) Rowcliffe, the latter natives of the parish of Swimbridge, in Devonshire, England. Leaving Devonshire in company with his son William, the Rev. John Rowcliffe came to the United States and established his home in Sandusky, Ohio. There he preached the gospel for many years, spending the remainder of his life in that city. William Rowcliffe removed from Ohio to Illinois, settling in Peoria county, and developed a productive farm in Jubilee township. At the outbreak of the Civil war he espoused the Union cause and served with the rank of captain in the northern army.

The children by the first marriage of Aaron Carleton Moffit were Ella and Susan, the latter now Mrs. L. M. McKown. By his second wife, Mary Jane (Rowcliffe) Moffit, he had two sons, A. R. and Fred. After his graduation from Williams College

the latter taught for two years in Lafayette College and is now a geologist in the service of the government at Washington, D. C.

Reared in his native state, Dr. A. R. Moffit attended Princeville Academy and was next a student at Williams College, which awarded him the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1898. For two years he was a teacher at Black Hall, Connecticut, and then entered the College of Physicians & Surgeons in New York city, where he was graduated in 1904. Afterward he served as an interne in St. Luke's Hospital and in 1907 came to Poughkeepsie, where he has since followed his profession. His practice is now of large proportions and he is serving on the surgical staff of Vassar Hospital. His powers have grown through the exercise of effort and his knowledge and skill are utilized to the best advantage in the unending conflict against disease.

Dr. Moffit was married to Ella Aufrere Borland, a daughter of John and Constance (Rives) of New Hamburg and New York city. The Doctor is a member of St. Luke's Alumni Association, the Dutchess-Putnam Medical Society and a Fellow in the American College of Surgeons. Progress has ever been his watchword and he is a close and untiring student who delights in the scientific side of the profession, while he also has constantly in mind its humanitarian aspects.

HERBERT J. DAVIS

Herbert J. Davis, one of the young and talented members of the Poughkeepsie bar and formerly United States commissioner for this district, was born in Brooklyn, New York, July 15, 1903. He is a son of Herbert H. and Miriam (Hoeftle) Davis, natives respectively of Knox, Maine, and Union Hill, New Jersey, and is related to the Dunbar and Hopkins families. His maternal grandparents were Emil and Louisa (Von Silberman) Hoeftle. For generations members of the Davis family lived in the Pine-tree state and representatives of the name served in the Revolutionary war. The male line is of Italian origin, but has become

predominantly Scotch-English through five generations of American residence.

In 1917, when a lad of fourteen, Herbert J. Davis came with his parents to Poughkeepsie and here he completed his high school course. His law studies were pursued in the office and under the direction of Elijah T. Russell and in 1927 he was admitted to the New York bar. Three years later he was appointed United States commissioner, conscientiously and efficiently discharging the duties of that important office, and is now clerk of the city court and acting city judge of the city of Poughkeepsie, and also is devoting his attention to private practice. He is located at 25 Market street and enjoys a remunerative clientele. He has been secretary and treasurer of the Dutchess County Bar Association since 1928. He possesses an analytical, well trained mind and has proved his ability to handle intricate cases. His professional connections are with the Dutchess County and New York State Bar Associations and he also belongs to the Dutchess County Golf Club, Amrita Club and Elks Club.

LEWIS JESSE STAGE

Among the able and prominent members of the Orange county bar, one of the best known was Lewis J. Stage, senior member of the firm of Stage & Stage, at Warwick. For more than thirty-five years he was engaged in the practice of law in Warwick and was regarded as a sound and safe advisor, a strong and forceful advocate and dependable in everything pertaining to his profession. He was born in Warwick on the 24th of November, 1870, a son of William R. and Sarah M. (Burwell) Stage. The family is of English ancestry and his paternal grandparents were Ryneer and Catherine (Richards) Stage. William R. Stage, who was born in Pine Island, Orange county, New York, was a farmer by vocation. His wife was born in Sussex, New Jersey, and was a daughter of John M. and Mary (Sharpe) Burwell. Both parents are deceased, the mother dying in December, 1911,



LEWIS J. STAGE

and the father, who was born in 1839, dying on December 31, 1928.

Lewis J. Stage received his early education in the public schools of Warwick, and after graduating from high school he took up the study of law in the office of Hon. M. N. Kane, of Warwick. In 1894 he was admitted to the bar and in 1907 was admitted to a partnership with his preceptor, under the firm name of Kane & Stage. In 1923 Lawrence Stage was admitted to a partnership. This association was continued until the death of Mr. Kane, when the firm was changed to Stage & Stage. They are one of the strongest and most successful law firms of this section of the valley and attorneys for many business concerns, building and loan associations, banks and estates.

On March 21, 1894, Mr. Stage was united in marriage to Miss Jessie M. Lawrence, a daughter of Richard B. and Mary E. (Conklin) Lawrence, an old pioneer family of the Warwick section of Orange county. To Mr. and Mrs. Stage were born four children, as follows: Lawrence, who is a graduate of the Albany Law School and associated with his father in the practice of law, married Miss Ruth Ryerson on September 17, 1919. They are the parents of six children, Lawrence, Jr., Ruth Jessie, Douglas, John Lewis, Robert and Richard Bowman. Lawrence enlisted for service in the World war and served for eleven months in France as a field clerk on the staff of General Pershing. Since his father's death he is carrying on the law practice under the firm name of Stage & Stage with offices at Warwick, Monroe and Chester. He is a past commander of the American Legion post in Warwick; Floyd C., who enlisted in the United States Navy five days after the United States entered the World war, being the first one to enlist from the town of Warwick, when he was but seventeen years of age, went across as a gunner's mate and, while the convoy he was aboard was in the Straits of Gibraltar, he was seriously injured, being confined to a hospital for six months. On August 11, 1921, while crossing a lake near Warwick, on his way to the camp at Wawayanda lake, his boat capsized and he was drowned; Harry C., who is a student in the

Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, at Troy, New York; and Richard W., who is a student in Colgate College.

In his political views Mr. Stage was a democrat. He was a member of the Dutch Reformed Church, of which he was an elder, and belonged to Warwick Lodge, No. 544, Free and Accepted Masons, and the Pomona Grange of Warwick. He held some office in relation to the public schools from his eighteenth year, and at the time of his death was president of the board of education, a trustee of the public library, a director of the Orange County Young Men's Christian Association, was director and treasurer of Warwick Y. M. C. A., a member of the New York State Historical Society, and the Warwick Historical Society, of which he was treasurer. He affiliated with the Orange County Bar Association, of which he was a past president, the New York State Bar Association and the American Bar Association. His ability and integrity gained for him the admiration and confidence of his fellowmen and he dignified his profession by his long and honorable services at the bar. He died on February 11, 1931, in Warwick.

ROY G. FINCH .

Roy G. Finch, a civil engineer now acting in the capacity of a consultant, with offices in Albany, has done important work in connection with public work and has made his efforts of particular value to his state. He was born in Eagle Bridge, Washington county, New York, August 17, 1884, a son of George Nelson and Helen (Hunt) Finch, the latter a native of the same town. The father was born in Schuylerville, Saratoga county, New York, and engaged in the hotel business. He passed away in 1912 but the mother survives and makes her home in Albany.

Roy G. Finch supplemented his high school education by attendance at the Rensselaer Polytechnic College, from which he received the degree of Civil Engineer in 1906. After his graduation he devoted two years to railroad work and in 1908 became

identified with the engineering department of the state of New York. In 1914 he became division engineer, then assistant deputy state engineer and in 1919 was selected as deputy state engineer, thus continuing until 1922. During 1923 and 1924 he followed his profession in a private capacity and in the latter year was elected state engineer serving one term, resuming private practice at the close of 1926. He was the last state engineer elected in this state, the position now being appointive. He conducts a general engineering practice and is consulting engineer to two of the large railroad companies, to a number of public utilities and to other large corporations. Experience has taught him practical knowledge and wide reading has enhanced his technical training. He has developed his powers to a high point of efficiency and is especially well known by reason of his state work, which has been of a most important character.

At Granville, New York, October 19, 1909, Mr. Finch was married to Miss Jessie Lewis Weller, who was born in that town, of which her parents, George W. and Mary (Lewis) Weller, were also natives, and both are now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Finch have a daughter, Mary Lewis, now eighteen years of age and a student at Wellesley College. The family home is at 287 Western avenue, Albany, and Mr. Finch maintains his office at 112 State street. He is a trustee of the Rensselaer Polytechnic College and his scholastic fraternity is the Delta Kappa Upsilon. His Masonic affiliations are with Wadsworth Lodge, No. 417, F. & A. M.; Temple Chapter, No. 5, R. A. M., of Albany; Temple Commandery, No. 2, K. T., at Albany; and Cyprus Temple of the Mystic Shrine. In religious belief he is an Episcopalian and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. He belongs to the National Republican Club, to the Schuyler Meadows Country Club, and is president of the University Club. His professional associations are with the Albany Society of Engineers and the American Society of Civil Engineers. His pronounced ability has won for him a place on the state board of licensing engineers and his status in the profession is further indicated in the fact that he is serving on the inter-oceanic canal board,

whose members were appointed by President Hoover to consider the advisability of the proposed enlargement of the Panama canal or the building of the Nicaragua canal.

In the course of his seventeen years in state work, the Barge canal was under construction and Mr. Finch worked in perhaps every capacity on the canal construction.

PAUL A. RIESER

Paul A. Rieser, attorney at law, practicing in Poughkeepsie, his native city, was born May 24, 1892, and is a son of Frank Rieser. The grandfather, Christian Rieser, who emigrated to America from France, was an accomplished musician and a member of the early musical organizations of Poughkeepsie. He married Kunigunda Lemmlein, by whom he had three sons, Frank, Jacob and Joseph. Frank Rieser was born in Poughkeepsie and remained a resident of the city until his demise on the 12th of August, 1915. He was a retail jeweler and engaged in business at 119 Main street for many years. As a young man he had married Miss Pauline Gillesheimer, a native of Newark, New Jersey, and of French extraction. She was one of the five children of Jacob and Margarita (Nippert) Gillesheimer, of Newark, New Jersey, the others being Mrs. Caroline McDowell and Jacob, John and Frank Gillesheimer. To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rieser were born six children: Susie P., an organist, now deceased; Ettie L., connected with the department of agriculture in Washington, D. C., since 1910; Estelle, who is engaged in teaching in New York city; Marie, the wife of Anthony Card and the mother of one child, Dorothy; Joseph F., a retail jeweler; and Paul A.

The last named mastered the branches of learning taught in the public schools of Poughkeepsie and secured his higher education in Cornell University at Ithaca, New York, where he won the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1915. With his admission to the bar he began his legal career in Poughkeepsie and here he

has since practiced with the exception of the period devoted to military duty. On April 7, 1917, the day after the United States declared war against Germany, Mr. Rieser enlisted and was in training at Plattsburg, New York. There he was commissioned a second lieutenant and assigned to the Forty-second Division of United States Infantry. In France he served with the One Hundred and Sixty-sixth Regiment of Infantry, participating in many combats, including the battle of the Marne. After receiving hospital treatment he was sent to Camp Beauregard, Louisiana, where he was mustered out of the service as a first lieutenant. Returning to Poughkeepsie, he resumed the practice of law at 259 Main street.

On November 4, 1926, Mr. Rieser was married to Miss Mary Katherine Woodin, a daughter of De Witt and Frances (Stapleton) Woodin.

DU BOIS CARPENTER

The name of Du Bois Carpenter has long been closely associated with construction work in Poughkeepsie, his native city, which numbers him among its leading architects. Born March 22, 1873, he is a son of J. Du Bois Carpenter, whose mother was Jane Ann Du Bois. She was a descendant of Louis Du Bois, one of the twelve patentees of the land extending from New Paltz to the Hudson river. He was active in the founding of churches and much of the religious advancement in this district in the earlier days was due to his efforts. The Du Bois family was represented in the Revolutionary war and in every generation has contributed to business, professional and military life men of ability and high standing. The Carpenters settled on Long Island during the colonial epoch in the history of this nation and they, too, aided in winning American independence. Their descendants are numerous in the Hudson River Valley and have attained distinction in many walks of life. Du Bois Carpenter, Sr., was born in Dutchess county and in young manhood mar-

ried Elizabeth Reynolds Southwick, a member of old English and Quaker families. The Reynoldses were early potters in Rhode Island and the genealogy of the family in this country dates from the landing of the Mayflower in 1621. The Southwicks also came to this country at a very early period and were among the first to establish and operate tanneries in New England and in the valley of the Hudson. To Du Bois and Elizabeth Reynolds (Southwick) Carpenter were born five children, of whom Mary died in infancy. The others are Stella B., Alice Maude, Lydia Southwick and Du Bois, Jr.

The son attended the public schools of Poughkeepsie and early in life showed an aptitude for architecture. Through study under a private tutor and the completion of special courses he acquired the requisite technical knowledge and then entered upon his chosen life work in this city, where he has continuously followed the profession of architecture for thirty-five years. His skill and ability have carried him far beyond the ranks of mediocrity and his work, which is of high character, is exemplified in many of Poughkeepsie's finest buildings.

Mr. Carpenter has also developed his talent for music and belongs to a number of organizations of that character. His fraternal affiliations are with the Masons, the Junior Order of United American Mechanics and the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. He is deeply interested in all that tends to raise the standards of his profession and promote the efficiency of its representatives and Poughkeepsie is indebted to him for some of its choicest architectural ornaments.

WILLIAM H. MONTGOMERY

William H. Montgomery, a prominent member of the Poughkeepsie bar, has practiced law from the age of twenty-two years and in his career manifests the mental alertness and keen perceptive powers which he inherited from his English and Irish ancestors. He was born in Vineland, New Jersey, August 14,

1886, and is a great-grandson of William Montgomery, the American progenitor of the family. The grandfather, William H. Montgomery, served in the Civil war and the grandmother, Harriett (Pitt) Montgomery, was a direct descendant of Sir William Pitt; the noted English statesman. William D. Montgomery, the father of William H. Montgomery of this review, was born in Rising Sun, Pennsylvania. The mother, Lottie (Green) Montgomery, was a daughter of James K. Green, a native of Dublin, Ireland. Leaving the Emerald isle in his youth, he came to America, establishing his home in Vineland, New Jersey, and fought for the Union during the struggle between the north and the south. By her marriage his daughter, Mrs. Montgomery, became the mother of four children: William H.; Arthur Emerson, who is practicing law in Tulsa, Oklahoma; Dora; and Myrtle.

When his high school education was completed William H. Montgomery enrolled as a student in the University of Pennsylvania and was graduated with the class of 1908, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Laws. Subsequently he followed his profession in the west, practicing in Oklahoma City. In 1912 he returned to the east, opening an office first at Red Hook, New York, and later in Poughkeepsie, and in the intervening period of nineteen years he has successfully handled much of the important litigation tried in the courts of this district. He is well versed in the minutiae of the law and his sound judgment directs the utilization of this knowledge in practice.

Mr. Montgomery was married to Miss Nellie G. Leddon, a daughter of Louis R. and Anna E. (Grosscup) Leddon, and they have two children: Helen, who is attending Smith College; and Doris. Mr. Montgomery is a trustee of the Methodist Episcopal Church and a liberal contributor toward its support. His hobby is magic, and he belongs to the Society of American Magicians and the International Society of Magicians. Along fraternal lines he is identified with Poughkeepsie Lodge, No. 275, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, and in Masonry he has membership in the Blue Lodge, Chapter, Council, Commandery and Shrine. While attending the University of Penn-

sylvania he was made a member of the Miller Law Club and was editor of The Punch Bowl, one of the University publications. He also is a member of the Dutchess County Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association, the American Bar Association, the New York Title Men's Association, the American Title Men's Association and the Commercial Law League of America. Mr. Montgomery has never lost the attitude of a student toward his profession and at all times he has been a close follower of its highest ethical standards.

CHARLES JOSEPH COOKE

The creative impulse has predominated in the career of Charles Joseph Cooke, who has made important contributions to the architectural adornment of Poughkeepsie, his native city. He is a son of Charles and Mary (Denvir) Cooke and a grandson of Charles Cooke, Sr., a native of County Cavan, Ireland, who settled in Poughkeepsie during the decade of the '40s. The maternal grandfather, James Denvir, was also born on the Emerald isle and established his home in Dutchess county, New York, early in the '40s. To Charles and Mary (Denvir) Cooke were born three children: Charles Joseph; Denvir J.; and Aloysius E., a graduate of Villanova College. Denvir J., the second son, joined the United States Navy during the World war, serving on the battleship Seattle and also on the Leviathan. He is a graduate of Columbia University and also followed the profession of an architect before his death. He married Miss Violet Vanwagenen, by whom he had two daughters, Violet and Dorothy.

In the acquirement of an education Charles J. Cooke attended the public schools of Poughkeepsie and his advanced studies were pursued in the University of Pennsylvania, from which he was graduated in 1913, on the completion of a course in architecture. In Philadelphia he gained practical experience while in the service of John T. Windrim, a noted architect of that city, and there remained until 1920, when he returned to Pough-

keepsie. Here he was associated with the Edward Smith organization for a time and then opened an office of his own at 20 Cannon street, where he is now located. Since entering the profession independently he has been intrusted with many important commissions and among the public buildings which he designed are the George W. Krieger school and the new eighth ward fire house. He also drew the plans for a number of fine homes and other edifices, all of which combine beauty with usefulness and are a credit to the city.

Mr. Cooke married Miss Katherine Freer, a daughter of Jacob and Mary (Murphy) Freer and also of Irish lineage. Mr. and Mrs. Cooke now have three children: Charles Joseph, Jr., Paul and Janet. The parents are communicants of the Roman Catholic Church and Mr. Cooke is a member of the Knights of Columbus, the Amrita Club and other organizations. In architectural work he has found an excellent medium for the expression of his talents, which have brought him to a place of prominence in his profession, and Poughkeepsie is proud to number him among her native sons.

HARRY COLBURN BARKER

Entering upon his career as a lawyer when a young man of twenty-four, Harry Colburn Barker has steadily progressed in the field of professional service, gaining an enviable position in legal circles of Poughkeepsie, where he has practiced for many years and where he also has business interests of importance. He was born in Antrim, New Hampshire, on the 31st of March, 1870, a son of Henry M. Barker and a grandson of Moody M. Barker, who were also natives of that town. Richard Barker, the American progenitor of the family, was a native of England and was the first settler of Andover, Massachusetts. Peter A. Barker, the great-grandfather of Harry C. Barker, was a captain in the Continental Army and his brothers also participated in the struggle for American independence. Imbued with the

patriotic spirit of his forbears, Moody M. Barker served with valor in the War of 1812. His wife was Nancy (Bixby) Barker and their son, Henry M. Barker, married Mary Jane Colburn, whose mother was a Miss Todd. In 1878 Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Barker removed to Staatsburg, New York, and there resided until called to their final rest. They were the parents of three sons: Herbert L., who is engaged in the practice of medicine in New York city; Harry Colburn; and Fred M., whose home is in Pleasant Plains, Dutchess county.

Harry C. Barker supplemented his public school education by attendance at the De Garmo Institute of Rhinebeck, New York, afterward entering the office of Frank B. Lown, and under his direction pursued the study of law. In 1894 he was admitted to the bar at Brooklyn, New York, and shortly thereafter began the active work of his profession in Dutchess county. His home is in Staatsburg but he maintains his office at 54 Market street in Poughkeepsie and has a varied and lucrative practice. He is well versed in statute and precedent and his logical arguments constitute forceful elements in winning verdicts favorable to the interests of his clients. His legal acumen is supplemented by keen business insight and executive ability which have carried him into important relations, for he is now serving as president of the Fox Hollow Development Company and is also the administrative head of the Yucatan-Campeche-Quintana Roo Development Company. In addition he is a director of the Utah Oil Company, the Farmers & Manufacturers Bank, the G. & C. Merriam Company, publishers of Springfield, Massachusetts, the Price Fire & Water Proofing Company and the Staatsburg Water Company and has made his cooperation of value to all of these corporations.

Mr. Barker was united in marriage to Miss Marion Hughes, a daughter of Miles and Emily (Pier) Hughes, the former a native of Staatsburg and the latter of Red Hook, Dutchess county. A strong champion of the cause of education, Mr. Barker has served as president of the school board of Staatsburg for many years, and is president of the board of trustees of Putnam Hall.

In movements for cultural development and spiritual uplift he is deeply and helpfully interested and for thirty-five years was a vestryman and warden of St. Margaret's Episcopal Church. He belongs to the Amrita Club, the Automobile Club and other organizations of a social nature, while he is likewise a member of the Dutchess County Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association and the American Bar Association. Throughout life he has followed the course dictated by conscience, honor and good judgment, attaining high standing as a lawyer, as a business man and as a citizen.

E. I. HATFIELD

Liberalily endowed with enterprise, initiative and business sagacity, E. I. Hatfield never stops short of the attainment of his objective and is generally regarded as one of the foremost representatives of real estate and insurance interests in Poughkeepsie. He was born in Westchester county, New York, in 1890 and is a son of G. J. and Adele (Leadley) Hatfield. Reared in his native county, he supplemented his public school education by attendance at the Eastman Business College in Poughkeepsie and following his graduation entered the employ of a local concern in the capacity of bookkeeper. On the 2d of June, 1913, he wrote his first insurance policy and this constituted the beginning of the present Hatfield agency. His first outstanding achievement in the real estate field was the Rupert Park project and this has been followed by others of equal extent and importance. He operates on a large scale and is numbered among the leaders in the development of Poughkeepsie and this part of the Hudson River Valley. His original methods of sale and striking advertising campaigns earned for him honors as a realty salesman and the logical rewards of income. In one campaign, conducted in a brief whirlwind of activity, he sold two hundred thousand dollars worth of sites—a noteworthy accomplishment. His unusual foresight has enabled him to avoid dangerous projects and his

organization has ever upheld a standard that has made the name of Hatfield synonymous with safety and reliability in real estate investments. He has also prospered in the insurance business and owns the substantial building at 46 Cannon street, where his agency is located.

Mr. Hatfield was married to Miss Gertrude Murden, a daughter of Robert Murden, and they are the parents of two children, Eunice Camille and Robert Edward, students at Syracuse University. Fraternally Mr. Hatfield is a Mason and is connected with the Grotto. He was called to the presidency of the Poughkeepsie Exchange Club and in 1928 was elected state president. He brought his talents to the task of extending the influence and numbers of this organization, with gratifying results, and during this period was a familiar speaker before civic bodies throughout the state. He was also selected as the president of the Dutchess County Insurance Agents Association and has likewise furthered their interests. Municipal problems, too, have claimed a share of his attention and while filling the office of councilman he was appointed a member of the Sague annexation committee. In every field of activity that Mr. Hatfield has entered his labors have been beneficially resultant and men esteem him for his genuine worth and the substantial qualities he has displayed in business life and in citizenship connections.

WILLIAM ANDREWS PARSHALL

William A. Parshall, who has been engaged in the practice of law in Port Jervis, Orange county, for more than forty years, holds a high place in the ranks of his profession, possessing a broad and accurate knowledge of the law, marked ability in its application and being very successful in protecting the legal interests of his clients. He was born at Walden, Orange county, on December 9, 1865, and is a son of Caleb and Jerusha K. (Miller) Parshall, the latter of whom was a daughter of Dr. Nathaniel Miller, of Brookhaven, Long Island. Caleb Parshall



WILLIAM A. PARSHALL

and his family moved to Port Jervis in 1869. James Parshall, the American progenitor of the family, was a native of England and died at Southold, Suffolk county, New York, in 1701. He had a son, David, born in 1683 and died in 1725; and his son was Jonathan, who had a son, David, who was a soldier in the Fourth Regiment, Orange County militia. His son, also named David, who was born in 1784 and died in 1832, was the father of Caleb Parshall, who was born in 1816 and died in 1886.

William A. Parshall received his early education in the public schools and was graduated from the Port Jervis Academy in 1883. He entered Yale University, from which he was graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Arts in 1888. In the following year he was graduated from the Albany Law School with the degree of Bachelor of Laws, and soon afterward opened a law office in Port Jervis, where he has practiced continuously since.

On June 1, 1893, Mr. Parshall was united in marriage to Miss Christine Senger, a daughter of Louis C. and Florence (Corwin) Senger, and they are the parents of three children, namely: Walter C., a graduate of Cornell University, who is manager of the Light, Gas and Power Company in Fitchburg, Massachusetts, and who married Miss Dorothy Ackerman; Florence M., who is a graduate of Vassar College and is a secretary in the offices of the Rockefeller Foundation, New York city; and Sarah, who is the wife of E. Norton Reusswig, a broker in New York city, and has a daughter, Christine Ann.

Mr. Parshall is a democrat in his political views and has long been active in public affairs, having served as clerk of the town of Deer Park, as a member and president of the board of education, and as corporation counsel of the city of Port Jervis. His religious membership is with the Presbyterian Church, and, fraternally he belong to the Masons, being a member of Port Jervis Lodge, No. 328, F. & A. M., and a past master; Neversink Chapter, No. 186, R. A. M., and a past high priest; Delaware Commandery, No. 44, K. T., of which he is a past commander; and served as District Deputy Grand Master of the Orange-Rock-

land district for two terms. He belongs to the Sons of the American Revolution and to the Delta Kappa Epsilon college fraternity. Professionally, he maintains affiliation with the Orange County Bar Association, the New York State Bar Association and the Association of the Bar of the City of New York. He has appeared as counsel in many of the more important cases in the courts of this section of the state and is a strong and resourceful trial lawyer and a sound and dependable office counselor.

JOHN B. GRUBB

John B. Grubb, former city judge, is a leading member of the legal fraternity in Poughkeepsie who also figures prominently in financial affairs as president of the Farmers & Manufacturers National Bank. He is a native of Poughkeepsie and a son of John and Elizabeth (Bodden) Grubb, the former likewise born in this city. The paternal grandfather, also named John Grubb, came to America from Edinburgh, Scotland, in company with his father, Charles Grubb, and his sister Anne, settling in Poughkeepsie, New York, in 1830, so that the family has here been represented for more than a century. John Grubb, grandfather of J. B. Grubb of this review, established a bookbindery in Poughkeepsie and was associated with the Fallkill Bank for a number of years. He married Sarah Worrall, member of a worthy pioneer family, and they became the parents of seven children, namely: John, the father of our subject; William, a minister of the Episcopal Church; Robert; Walter; Mary; Anne; and Sarah. John Grubb, son of John and Sarah (Worrall) Grubb, was a lifelong resident of Poughkeepsie and an accountant by profession. He married Elizabeth Bodden, daughter of William and Elizabeth (Wilson) Bodden, and to them were born two sons: John B., of this review; and Charles, deceased, who married Mabel Lawrence and had two children, Elizabeth and Bruce.

John B. Grubb pursued a high school course in Poughkeepsie and afterward studied law in the office of Frank B. Lown and

the New York Law School until admitted to the bar in 1907. Throughout the intervening period of a quarter century he has been an active representative of the legal profession in his native city and has become widely recognized as an attorney of marked ability and wide learning. He has served as corporation counsel, 1914 to 1918, and was city judge from 1922 until 1930, and made a most commendable record on the bench. He is also active in the banking business as president of the Farmers & Manufacturers National Bank and as vice president and trustee of the Poughkeepsie Savings Bank. Moreover, he is a director of the Price Fire & Water Proofing Company and the Campbell Hotel of Poughkeepsie, having long ranked among the foremost representatives of business and professional interests in this city. He is a director of the Associated Charities, and during the period of the World war served as government appeal agent. His religious faith is that of the Episcopal Church, to which he belongs, and he also has membership in the Amrita Club of Poughkeepsie.

In early manhood Mr. Grubb was united in marriage to Harriet Underhill, daughter of Courtland and Harriet (Curtis) Underhill. They are the parents of two sons, John C. and Charles B., and they maintain an attractive home at 53 Grand avenue, Poughkeepsie.

RUSSELL SOULE GREENMAN

Loyalty to his native city has ever been one of the salient traits of Russell Soule Greenman, a consulting engineer, who maintains his office at 10 Steuben street, Albany. He was born in this city January 7, 1870, a son of Benjamin L. and Emma (Soule) Greenman. The grandfather, Russell Greenman, came to New York from Connecticut, his native state, settling on a farm, and his demise occurred in Albany. His son, Benjamin L. Greenman, was born in Stephentown, Rensselaer county, New York, in 1838 and when a young man became a Union soldier. After the war he conducted a baking business in Albany, remain-

ing here until his death in November, 1899, when he had reached the sixty-first milestone on life's journey. He was a consistent member of the Baptist Church and gave his political support to the republican party. His wife was born in England in 1846 and passed away at Albany in September, 1927, at the venerable age of eighty-one years.

Russell S. Greenman pursued his education in Albany until his graduation from high school with the class of 1889 and later he enrolled as a student in Union College at Schenectady, where he completed his engineering education in 1896. His first engineering experience was in the development of Beaver Park, now known as Lincoln Park, Albany; and then for many years he was connected with the Department of the State Engineer, working in various places in the state. Starting as a rodman, he won repeated promotions which brought him at length to the responsible position of senior assistant engineer; when he returned to Albany he was placed in charge of the laboratory of the State Engineer's department and this was under his charge until 1927. Mr. Greenman then retired from state service to enter upon private practice as a consulting engineer. He had long specialized in concrete work and is continuing in this line of work. Gaining that superior ability which comes through close study and broad experience, he has successfully handled a number of important projects and there is a constantly increasing demand for his services. His contributions to the science of engineering include several technical papers on various phases of concrete or concrete materials, and, from these, data and opinions have been quoted by other authors, both in this country and abroad. He is a member of the American Concrete Institute, the American Society for Testing Materials and the International Association for Testing Materials. In the first two of these he is a member of several important technical committees and for ten years was chairman of the large committee on "Cement" in the American Society for Testing Materials. He is a past president of the Albany Society of Engineers and is also identified with the New York State Society of Professional Engineers.

Mr. Greenman was married in Schenectady, May 11, 1898, to Miss Marion F. Bates, a native of Brooklyn, New York, and a graduate of the Union Classical Institute. She is a daughter of Dr. George W. Bates, now deceased, who was one of the prominent physicians of Schenectady. Mr. and Mrs. Greenman have three children: Dorothy Soule, now the wife of Hugo E. Rausch, of Glens Falls, New York, and the mother of two children, Janet and William R. Rausch; Russell L., of Washington, D. C., who married Miss Ruth Wheat, of Albany, and has a daughter, Marjory; and Marjorie M., the wife of Dr. Norman D. Kathan, of Schenectady.

Mr. and Mrs. Greenman reside at 40 Manning boulevard. He is a deacon of the Temple Baptist Church and for fifteen years served as superintendent of its Sunday school. He is deeply interested in movements for spiritual uplift and moral advancement and has been president of the City, County, Division, and State Councils of Religious Education. His name appears on the membership rolls of the Union College Alumni Association, the Chi Psi fraternity and the University and Rotary Clubs, while Mrs. Greenman is connected with the Woman's Club of Albany and the Pine Hills Fortnightly Club, being a past president of the last named. Mr. Greenman is likewise identified with the Sons of Veterans and his public spirit is expressed through his connection with the Albany Chamber of Commerce. He votes with the republican party but is not active in politics, concentrating his attention upon his profession, and is accorded a position of leadership in his particular field.

JOHN DUNNING STIVERS

A lifelong resident of Middletown, John Dunning Stivers has served as its postmaster under three presidents and his activities have been varied in character, bringing to him state-wide prominence. He was born August 30, 1861, a son of former congressman Moses Dunning and Mary Elizabeth (Stewart) Stivers, and

pursued his studies in Wallkill Academy at Middletown and the Peekskill Military Academy. Attracted to the newspaper business, he and his brother established the Daily Times and he continued as editor of the Times-Press after the consolidation. He also became president of the Stivers Printing Company, publishers of this paper, and with his brother, the late Lewis S. Stivers, promoted and erected the Times building. They were journalists of high standing and under their management and control the Times-Press grew steadily in power and influence, becoming one of the leading dailies of this part of the state.

The newspaper business, however, has constituted but one phase of the activities of John D. Stivers, whose labors have been far-reaching and beneficial. He was elected to the directorate of the Orange County Trust Company, succeeding his father, who was president of the board, and is worthily following in his footsteps. From 1910 until 1912 he represented his district in the assembly of New York, after which he served as state senator for three terms, and during the trial of Governor William Sulzer he was a member of the court of impeachment. In New York politics he is a forceful personality and has been a delegate to many republican state conventions. On the 14th of December, 1921, he became postmaster of Middletown through appointment of the late President Harding, was reappointed by President Coolidge, January 7, 1927, and is now serving under President Hoover, adhering to the high standards which have governed him in all official capacities as well as in his personal dealings.

On the 17th of September, 1908, Mr. Stivers was married in Middletown to Miss Louise M. Greene and they became the parents of three children: Janet Louise, who was born June 5, 1912; Moses Dunning, born October 20, 1914; and Nancy Stewart, born February 11, 1919. The residence of the family is at 60 Highland avenue.

Mr. Stivers was one of the organizers of the Twenty-fourth Separate Company, later Company I of the First Regiment of New York National Guard, and with others was instrumental in the erection of a state armory. He was made a lieutenant of

the Twenty-fourth Separate Company and later a staff officer of the First Battalion. He was the first president of the Veterans Association of the Twenty-fourth Separate Company. Under appointment of Gov. Levi P. Morton he was made a member of the board of managers of the State Hospital at Middletown and became secretary of the board. He was reappointed by Gov. Theodore Roosevelt. His fraternal affiliations are with the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, the Masons, the Knights of Pythias and the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. He also belongs to the Middletown Club, the Orange County Golf Club, Merriewold Country Club, the Orange County Society in the City of New York, Inc., Historical Society of Wallkill Precinct, Inc., Excelsior Hook and Ladder Company, No. 1, Veteran Firemen's Association, the Middletown Chamber of Commerce and the First Presbyterian Church. Mr. Stivers has been an active factor in many movements looking toward the accomplishment of real and practical good and the simple weight of his character and ability has carried him into important relations.

FREDERICK E. MOCH

Although of foreign nationality, Frederick E. Moch is thoroughly American in spirit and interests, for he has lived in this country from childhood, and that he has made good use of the opportunities which have come his way is indicated in the fact that he is numbered among Albany's foremost business men and manufacturers of meat products. He was born in Germany, March 10, 1881, a son of Erdman and Amelia (Schirmaker) Moch, who were also natives of that country, of which the grandfather, Erdman Moch, Sr., was a lifelong resident, conducting a hotel for many years. Erdman Moch, Jr., was born June 14, 1853, and at the prescribed age entered the Prussian Army, devoting thirteen years to military service. In 1888, when a young man of thirty-five, he crossed the Atlantic in the hope of better-

ing his fortunes in the United States and resided in Albany for a time. With his removal to Dutchess county he established a flour mill at Red Hook, where he spent the remainder of his life. He was a Lutheran in religious faith and exercised his right of franchise in support of the candidates of the republican party. His wife was born February 10, 1863, and passed away in Albany in December, 1925. Her parents, Adolph and Anna Schirmaker, were farming people and always remained in Germany.

Frederick E. Moch attended school in his native land for a year and when a lad of seven came with his parents to the new world. His studies were pursued in the public schools of Albany until he reached the age of fourteen, when he started to work as a delivery boy in the employ of Daniel Bush, who was in the meat business. He remained with Mr. Bush for four years and during that time learned how to cut meat and make bologna. Afterward he spent three years in the plant owned by George Schwartz, a wholesale dealer in pork, and at the age of twenty-one entered the field independently. Purchasing the business of Joseph Papalau, a butcher, who had a general market at the corner of Broadway and De Witt street, Mr. Moch removed to 835 Broadway a year later in order to secure additional space and remained there until 1924, when he purchased the large modern building which he now occupies at 749 Broadway. Here he conducts a wholesale pork business and manufactures sausages of all kinds. While at 835 Broadway he sold to both the wholesale and retail trades but disposed of the retail department before locating at the present address. He conducts the business under his own name and the Moch label is a guarantee of high quality in meat products. His close personal supervision is given to every detail of the work and the steady growth of his trade is the direct outcome of his capable management, progressive business methods and straightforward dealing.

Mr. Moch was married August 14, 1906, to Miss Anna Matanosek, a native of Detroit, Michigan, and a daughter of Charlie Matanosek, who spent the latter part of his life in Albany. Mrs.

Moch passed away in Albany, January 8, 1920, leaving two children. The daughter, Rose M., born March 14, 1907, was graduated from high school and from the Albany Business College and is now secretary to her father. The son, Frederick E., Jr., born June 20, 1908, was accorded the same educational advantages and is also associated with the father in business. On the 16th of June, 1920, Mr. Moch was married in Washington, D. C., to Miss Catherine Kluh, a native of that city and a daughter of Joseph Kluh, now deceased. Dorothy Katherine, the only child of the second marriage, was born September 7, 1926.

Mr. and Mrs. Moch reside at 40 Norwood avenue, Albany, and they have membership in the Fourth Reformed Church, of which he is an elder. His political allegiance is given to the republican party and he conscientiously discharges the duties and obligations of citizenship but has never sought public office. A York Rite Mason, he belongs to Mount Vernon Lodge, F. & A. M.; Capital City Chapter, R. A. M.; and Temple Commandery, K. T. He is a noble of Cyprus Temple of the Mystic Shrine and is also identified with Kaa-Rhen-Vahn Grotto. He likewise has fraternal relations with William Lacy Lodge, No. 93, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows and for diversion he turns to bowling. From an early age he has been self-supporting, owing his advancement to steadfast purpose and concentrated effort, coupled with the ability to meet and master business situations, and deserves much credit for what he has accomplished.

SHERMAN A. MURPHY

Thoroughly equipped for the vocation of his choice, Sherman A. Murphy has practiced in Albany, his native city, for a quarter of a century and is well known as a corporation lawyer. Born February 7, 1881, he is a son of Peter M. Murphy, who was a native of Lansingburg, Rensselaer county, New York, and saw active service in the Civil war. Following his graduation from the Albany Medical College the father opened an office in the

capital city of New York and here practiced successfully for a number of years. He was also a prominent financier and at his death in 1894 was president of the City Savings Bank of Albany. His wife, Elizabeth (Nossle) Murphy, a lifelong resident of the city, passed away December 19, 1909.

Sherman A. Murphy completed his high school course by graduation in 1899 and his classical education was acquired in Dartmouth College, which conferred upon him the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1899. He was next a student at the Albany Law School and won his LL. B. degree in 1905. Admitted to the bar in the same year, he entered upon the active work of his profession in this city in connection with the law firm of Buchanan, Lawyer & Whalen. Through subsequent changes in the personnel this became in succession Visscher, Whalen & Austin, Visscher, Whalen, Loucks & Murphy, and Whalen, Murphy, McNamee & Creble, which style has since been retained. They occupy a suite of offices at 75 State street and are regarded as one of the strongest legal organizations in Albany. While engaged in general practice, Mr. Murphy devotes his attention chiefly to corporation work and excels in that branch of jurisprudence.

On the 14th of April, 1913, Mr. Murphy was married in Cohoes, New York, to Miss Amy L. Still, a daughter of the Rev. Frederick Still, an Episcopal clergyman, now deceased. The mother, who was a Miss Sexton, has also passed away. Mrs. Murphy was graduated from St. Agnes School in Albany and taught in that institution prior to her marriage. She has become the mother of two children: Sherman A., Jr., who was born February 1, 1914, and is attending Albany Academy; and Eleanor S., born June 14, 1921.

The parents have membership in St. Paul's Episcopal Church and Mr. Murphy is one of its vestrymen. He votes with the republican party and fraternally he is a Mason, identified with Masters Lodge, No. 4, F. & A. M. Along social lines he has connection with the Port Orange Club, the University Club, the Albany Country Club, the Alpha Delta Phi society and the Sphinx Society. While these relations afford him much enjoyment, he

subordinates all other interests to the demands of his profession, of which he is an able and highly respected representative, and his membership is with the Albany County Bar Association, the New York Bar Association and the American Bar Association.

PERCIVAL BENNETT

Middletown is fortunate in its public officials, whose ability and fidelity to trust are well known, and in this classification belongs Percival Bennett, chief of police, who has been connected with the department for seventeen years. He was born in Howells, Orange county, New York, October 20, 1889, and is of Scotch ancestry. His father, David Winfield Bennett, passed away in 1917. The mother, Jennie (Smith) Bennett, was born in Orange county and is sixty-seven years of age, making her home with her son in Middletown.

Percival Bennett, the fourth in order of birth in a family of seven children, pursued his studies in the grammar and high schools of his native county and first worked as a file cutter, following that occupation for seven years. Later he was a special officer for the Ontario & Western Railroad Company and in 1914 joined the police force of Middletown as a patrolman. Afterward he was a motorcycle officer, looking after traffic. Dependable and capable, he steadily advanced, becoming chief of police in 1927, and has met every requirement of that important office. A strict disciplinarian, he has instituted needed changes and improvements in the police department, bringing it up to a high standard, and his work has received high commendation.

In March, 1913, Mr. Bennett was married to Miss Frances Adelaide Musgrave, a daughter of John Musgrave, a pioneer business man of Middletown. They are the parents of a son, Lionel Addison, who was born October 1, 1914, and is attending high school.

Mr. Bennett is a member of the Horton Universalist Church and casts his ballot for the candidates of the republican party.

He belongs to the Middletown Club, the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the local organization of volunteer firemen, Veteran Firemen's Association, the Eagle Hose Company, the New York State Police Association, New York State Chiefs of Police Association, and the International Association of Chiefs of Police. A student of human nature and the motives of human conduct, Mr. Bennett is perhaps better fitted than the majority to understand the ways of and apprehend criminals and is carrying out his determination to rid Middletown as far as possible of crime. In the discharge of his duties as chief of police he is influenced by neither fear nor favor and is a man of strict integrity and high moral worth.

GEORGE W. ROSS, M. D.

Entering upon his medical career when a young man of twenty-three years, Dr. George W. Ross has since practiced successfully in Port Ewen and is one of the best known physicians in this part of the state. He was born in Albany, New York, July 1, 1876, and is a son of David Ross, a native of Scotland. Coming to the United States as a young man, the father located in Albany, New York, where he opened a grocery store soon afterward, and with the passing years he established a profitable trade. On disposing of his mercantile interests he removed to Loudonville, New York, and was there engaged in farming for several years. After retiring from agricultural pursuits he returned to Albany, where he spent the remainder of his life. His wife, Matilda (Van Patten) Ross, was a native of Albany and a daughter of Peter Van Patten, whose forbears were among the early settlers of Albany county. To Mr. and Mrs. Ross were born seven children, of whom one died in infancy. The others are: George W.; David, who is engaged in the grocery business at Grand Junction, Colorado; Ella, the wife of Arthur MacCartney, who has been connected with the wholesale paper business in Albany for many years; Anna, who is the wife of Arthur

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Brown, a representative of a dental supply house of Albany, and has two children, Marion and Robert; Walter, who married Laura Nelliger, of Albany, and is there engaged in the insurance business; and Elmer, who is associated with automobile interests of Albany and was married in that city to Harriet Hunter.

Dr. Ross acquired his education in his native city, graduating from high school in 1896 and from the Albany Medical College with the class of 1899. He then opened an office in Port Ewen and has here engaged in general practice for thirty-two years, acquiring the knowledge and skill which are the outcome of broad experience and concentrated effort. He is a member of the medical staff of the Kingston City Hospital and examining physician for a number of the leading life insurance companies of the United States. His practice has assumed large proportions and in addition to his professional interests he is a director of the Kingston Trust Company.

In 1927 Dr. Ross was married to Miss Agnes Foulkes, who was born in London, England, and in early childhood came to America with her parents, who settled in London, Ontario, Canada, where she attended the grammar and high schools. In preparation for the profession of her choice, she took a course in the nurses training school of the Buffalo City Hospital and was next a student at Columbia University in New York city. Afterward she became instructor of nursing at Kingston Hospital.

Dr. and Mrs. Ross attend the old Dutch Reformed Church in Port Ewen, where they have a beautiful home which commands a fine view of the Hudson. The Doctor largely finds his recreation in travel and has made extensive tours of the United States, Canada and Europe. During the World war period he served on the local examining board and was active in all Liberty Loan drives. He takes a keen interest in movements which tend to advance the standards of citizenship and is a member of Ulster County Council of the Boy Scouts of America. He belongs to the Automobile Club of Ulster county and is a prominent Mason, identified with Rondout Lodge, No. 343, F. & A. M.; Mount Horeb Chapter, No. 75, R. A. M., at Rondout; Rondout Commandery,

No. 32, K. T.; Albany Sovereign Consistory, A. A. S. R.; and Cyprus Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Albany. He also has fraternal relations with Hope Lodge, No 65, of the Knights of Pythias at Port Ewen and Ulster Park Lodge, No. 422, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. His interest, however, centers in his profession and he keeps in close touch with its progress through constant study and through his membership in the Ulster County and New York State Medical Societies. As a physician and surgeon Dr. Ross has attained high standing and in his life he has exemplified those qualities which command respect and inspire esteem and friendship.

J. LESTER BURNETT

J. Lester Burnett, successfully engaged in the undertaking business in Middletown, is well known to the residents of this community, for he was born here on the 4th of July, 1893, and represents old and honored families of Orange county. Through his father, John M. Burnett, and his grandfather, Sylvester Burnett, he traces his ancestry to Robert Burnett, who spelled his name Burnet, and was born near Edinburgh, Scotland. He was the founder of the family in the new world. Crossing the Atlantic in 1725, he settled in Raritan, New Jersey, whence he later removed to Little Britain in Orange county, New York, and during 1738 he was engaged in military service under Captain Thomas Ellsworth. Hannah (Greene) Burnett, the mother of J. Lester Burnett, is a member of a French family originally known as Grenau but in subsequent generations the name was changed to Greene. Daniel Greene came to this country from France in 1720, was a blacksmith by trade and took charge of the Sterling Iron Works in 1760. He filled the position of superintendent for several years and in that capacity had supervision of the work of forging the chain that was stretched across the Hudson river at West Point in 1778 to impede the progress of the British ships. Secretary Pickering and General Knox visited the works in

regard to the making of this chain and at the latter's request the three sons of Daniel Greene were released from service in the American Army so that they might aid in forging this historic chain which weighed one hundred and eighty tons. By her marriage to John M. Burnett, Hannah Greene became the mother of three children: J. Lester; Anna C., who died in 1919; and George D., who lives at Kingston, New York, and is a railway engineer. Both parents died in Middletown, the father in 1919, and the mother in 1924.

J. Lester Burnett pursued his education in the public schools attending the Middletown high school and then entered commercial life, becoming connected with the wholesale tobacco business. Attracted by military affairs, he joined the national guard on the 4th of December, 1911, becoming a member of Company I of the First Regiment of New York Infantry, with which he went to the Mexican border in 1916. A year later, when America entered the World war, he was transferred to the One Hundred and Seventh Regiment of United States Infantry and went overseas as first sergeant of his company. Later he was commissioned a second lieutenant and while in France became a first lieutenant of Company E, attached to the Three Hundred and Eighteenth Infantry, Eightieth Division, of the United States Army. He participated in the Ypres-Lys campaign and in the Meuse-Argonne drive, during which he was injured by shrapnel on the 16th of October, 1918. Subsequently he returned to this country and in June, 1919, was mustered out of the service at Camp Lee, Virginia.

On resuming the life of a civilian Mr. Burnett joined his maternal uncle, Nelson Greene, in the undertaking business at Washingtonville, New York, and later returned to Middletown. Here he purchased the Rockefeller Burial Company, which he has since owned and conducted under the name of Burnett Funeral Home, making many changes and improvements and transforming this into one of the most modern funeral homes in Orange county. The service rendered by his organization is adapted to every need in connection with the care of the dead and

the steady growth of the business denotes the wisdom and ability of its executive head.

On the 29th of January, 1918, Mr. Burnett was married to Miss Lillian Lawson, a daughter of John and Elizabeth (Johnson) Lawson, of Woodbridge, New York, and of Swedish descent. Mr. and Mrs. Burnett have one child, Ann C., born July 9, 1928. A member of the Presbyterian Church of Middletown, Mr. Burnett is one of its deacons and trustees and his political allegiance is given to the republican party. Fraternally he is identified with the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, and the lodge, chapter and commandery of Masons. He is a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and a past commander of Middletown Post, No. 151, of the American Legion. He is a member of the Middletown Club and the Kiwanis Club, representing the latter as president, and is also president of the Monhagan Hose Company, of which he was formerly captain. He is a member of the Orange County Funeral Directors Association. His loyalty to his community has prompted his earnest, effective efforts in its behalf and in the control of his business he manifests the energy, ability and enterprise which insure progress and success.

LILLIAN MORGANS, M. D.

Dr. Lillian Morgans, distinguished cardiologist and organizer of the Middletown Radium Society, has been an active and successful medical practitioner of Middletown during the past quarter century. She was born at Liberty, Sullivan county, New York, July 26, 1871, her parents being William Thomas and Sophia (Inderlied) Morgans, who were also natives of that county, the former born at Bethel in 1844 and the latter at Youngsville in the same year. She comes of American-Welsh descent on the paternal side and of American-German ancestry in the maternal line. Her father, William T. Morgans, son of Eleazor Morgans, served at one time as supervisor of the town

of Callicoon, Sullivan county, and was a veteran of the Civil war. He enrolled as a volunteer in 1862 and became a brevet captain of the One Hundred and Forty-third Infantry Regiment in 1865, being one of the youngest men of his rank in the army, admired by his comrades for his generous deeds and heroic valor. Captain Morgans carried the colors through the battles of Resaca, Cassville, Kolbs Farm and all the engagements about Allatoona and Atlanta and Peach Tree Creek. Post No. 283 of the Grand Army of the Republic, organized at Rockland, Sullivan county, is named Post Morgans in honor of William Thomas Morgans.

Following the cessation of hostilities between the north and the south he married Miss Sophia Inderlied and started the Callicoon Recorder. His inventive genius had manifested itself when, as a boy of ten years, he made himself a printing press. For a considerable period the Callicoon Recorder was printed on a press made from a maple log and an old tombstone. Eventually William T. Morgans established the Liberty Register and soon had one of the best printing offices in the state. He invented and patented the Hercules jobbing press, and a paper cutter, but perhaps his most valuable invention is his machine for cutting wood type. He died at Middletown at the age of thirty-eight, when his hopes for the future were bright and promising, leaving a widow and eight young children. He had established here the Morgans & Wilcox Manufacturing Company.

It was given to Mrs. Morgans, his widow, a woman of remarkable energy and ability, to see Middletown enriched by the contribution which some of her children have made to the life of the town: Lillian Morgans, one of the most active, most skillful physicians and surgeons in this region; Miss Maud J. Morgans, a woman of culture and refinement, an able educator, whose influence has been felt in many a home in Middletown through several generations of school children; Floyd W. Morgans, successor to his father in the firm of Morgans & Wilcox Manufacturing Company, a prominent citizen, highly respected for his integrity, his sound judgment, his business ability and his deep interest in all civic, religious and business activities of the

town. May, wife of Joseph Forsyth, is also a resident of Middletown. In all the members of the Morgans family are manifest the traits which are characteristic of the best type of American citizenship.

Dr. Lillian Morgans, of this review, pursued her education in Wallkill Academy and in Miss Hendricks' private school of Middletown and later received a certificate as a medical student at the University of the State of New York. She took a special heart course under Dr. W. D. Reid, of Boston, and was graduated from the New York Medical College Hospital for Women, University of New York, with the degree of M. D. in 1906. She edited the college paper during the years 1905 and 1906 and in the latter year won the Dr. Sidney F. Wilcox surgical prize. From the 1st of June, 1906, until September 15, 1907, she served as superintendent of Thrall Hospital in Middletown, of which she was also attending physician and assistant surgeon. She was made consulting cardiologist on the staff of Elizabeth A. Horton Memorial Hospital of Middletown, New York; was associated with the Lying-In Hospital of New York city in 1905 and attended the international clinical congress in London, England, in 1914. Her work was interrupted by the outbreak of the World war. She did special work in the Laboratory of Surgical Technique in Chicago and also with the Mayo clinics in 1921.

Dr. Morgans was the founder of the Radium Fund and the organizer of the Middletown Radium Society, of which she was chosen secretary and treasurer and assistant dispenser. She wrote the first article on radium in this section, published in the Hahnmanian Monthly of September, 1924; in 1927 she installed the first electrocardiograph in this section. She is a member of the Orange County Medical Society, the State Homeopathic Medical Society, and the American Medical Association; vice president of the staff of Thrall Hospital; a member of the Alumnae Association of the Medical College for Women; a member of the American Heart Association; and consultant cardiologist of the Elizabeth A. Horton Memorial Hospital. She has written the history of Thrall Hospital, which is to be found in

the archives of the Historical Society. Her religious faith is indicated by her membership in the First Presbyterian Church.

We quote the following tribute from Berthe Vincent, former professor and head of the department of French language and literature at Smith College of Northampton, Massachusetts: "For the past twenty-five years Dr. Lillian Morgans has ably and generously served this town. Completely absorbed though she has been by her exacting duties as a general practitioner, she has constantly kept abreast of the most modern scientific methods in her own field of work, giving herself many opportunities to increase her usefulness and efficiency, giving up for a time the duties connected with her practice for periods of special study at various medical centers. She made a special study of the use of radium and became convinced of the necessity for Middletown to own a supply of the metal for the treatment of cancer. By her generous gift of one thousand dollars, she initiated the public subscriptions which in September, 1922, amounting to ten thousand dollars, made it possible to purchase the radium now owned by the town and which is available to all in this section. With the completion of the Fund and purchase of radium Dr. Morgans' activity did not lessen. She carried on with skill and enthusiasm a campaign of education, establishing Cancer Week here, with a program of lectures, moving pictures, exhibits, distribution of literature for the purpose of educating people to the necessity of early diagnosis and treatment of cancer. In 1926 she turned her attention to the study of heart diseases and is now recognized in this section as a distinguished cardiologist. Interesting it might be to many, especially to women, perhaps, to know something of the long and difficult road which led Dr. Morgans to the medical profession. A student nurse at seventeen, for two years, she then served as stenographer and bookkeeper for the Middletown Press for ten years, with a frail physique but with a splendid energy and the unconquerable hope for a career as a physician, she laboriously earned the necessary funds for her medical education. To all, her unusual career, so successful in view of the humanitarian services rendered, may be an encouragement and an inspiration."

The following is copied from the "History of Medicine in Middletown and Vicinity." "Prompted by a humanitarian spirit which developed from actual experience and contact with the malignant and fearful malady, cancer, Dr. Lillian Morgans made a study of radium and was satisfied that it was the greatest hope of relief which could be offered at this time. On October 1, 1921, with an earnest desire to benefit sufferers not financially able to procure radium treatments elsewhere, Dr. Morgans contributed one thousand dollars as a nucleus toward a fund of ten thousand dollars that free radium treatments could be obtained in Middletown and asked that willing contributions be deposited in the Orange County Trust Company Bank. At the end of the year the fund was raised by the citizens of Middletown and vicinity and the radium, with a complete outfit, was purchased. A meeting was held at the home of Dr. Morgans, September 14, 1922, and the Middletown Radium Society was organized with the following charter members: Drs. L. G. Distler, Edwin Fancher, D. B. Hardenbergh, J. B. Hulett, B. B. Kinne, C. Northway Meyer, Lillian Morgans, C. I. Redfield; M. A. Stivers, H. J. Shelley, E. M. Schultz, A. C. Santee, R. C. Woodman, Rev. F. P. Hunter, Floyd Morgans, and Allen W. Corwin, attorney. These members constitute the trustees of the society. At this meeting Dr. Morgans, representing the contributors, conveyed ninety milligrams of radium and a complete unit to the trustees for careful protection and dispensing. The society now has one hundred and ten milligrams of radium valued at twelve thousand dollars, and three thousand dollars in the bank."

The following paragraph appeared in the Middletown Herald of September 15, 1922: "The campaign to raise a fund to purchase radium for Middletown has been successful. The radium has been procured and the Radium Society to handle and dispense it, has been formed, after a long campaign begun a year ago by Dr. Morgans, to whom the greater part of the credit is due for the promotion and completion of the plans to secure radium for use in Middletown and vicinity." The Middletown Press of September 15, 1922, said: "The formation of the

Radium Society of the city was completed Thursday night at a meeting at the home of Dr. Lillian Morgans, founder of the fund. Dr. Morgans presided and Dr. L. G. Distler was secretary pro-tem."

The Radium Society of Middletown was incorporated in 1928. Incorporation was decided on, Dr. Lillian Morgans, founder of the society and its secretary and treasurer, stated, in order that the Society could be perpetuated to carry on the work for the relief of cancer sufferers. A laboratory has been installed and two rooms set aside, as required by law, in Dr. Kinne's sanitarium and radium treatments are available to all desiring them. In an interview with Dr. Morgans, she stated that she felt a great deal of progress had been made in combating the ravages of cancer among sufferers in the vicinity. Between seventy-five and eighty persons are treated on an average each year and it is surprising the great amount of good that has been accomplished. While the Society is a local one, Dr. Morgans emphasized that the healing influences of the radium are available to outsiders as well as to Middletown people. Middletown was the only city under thirty thousand population in the state that had a radium dispensing society until 1931. The present officers are: Dr. D. B. Hardenbergh, president; Floyd Morgans, vice president; Dr. Lillian Morgans, secretary and treasurer; Dr. B. B. Kinne, radium dispenser and caretaker; Herbert B. Royce, counsel.

A. LOUIS MORRISON

Since 1922 the name of A. Louis Morrison has figured prominently in business circles of Albany in connection with the Berkshire Motor Car Company, of which he is the president, and previous to locating here he had won success in the field of finance. Born in Jersey Shore, Lycoming county, Pennsylvania, February 13, 1887, he is a son of George Morrison, a native of Petersburg, Huntingdon county, that state. The father, a locomotive engineer, was long in the service of the New York Cen-

tral Railroad Company and is now living retired in Jersey Shore. He has held local offices, to which he was elected on the democratic ticket, and his religious views are in harmony with the doctrines of the Presbyterian Church, which he regularly attends. He married Miriam Lloyd, whose father, Robert Lloyd, came to this country from Wales and for many years was identified with coal mining operations at Philipsburg, Pennsylvania, where his demise occurred. Mrs. Morrison was born in Philipsburg and passed away at Jersey Shore.

Her son, A. Louis Morrison, pursued his studies in his native town and after his graduation from high school took a course in banking at the Wharton Business School of the University of Pennsylvania. Returning home, he entered the Bank of Jersey Shore as a messenger and remained with the institution for eighteen years, occupying the office of cashier during the last six years of that period. In February, 1922, he came to Albany and with his associates purchased the business of the Berkshire Motor Car Company, which had been incorporated in 1917. The company handles the Plymouth and Chrysler automobiles and has spacious and attractive sales rooms at 266 Central avenue. For nine years Mr. Morrison has been the administrative head of the business, fostering its growth by progressive methods, close attention to detail and wise management, and has one of the largest and most efficient organizations of the kind in the city.

In 1912, while residing in Jersey Shore, Mr. Morrison was married to Miss Rita Fleming, who was born in Oswego, New York, and is a graduate of the Albany high school and also of the State College for Teachers. She is a daughter of J. W. Fleming, superintendent of the railroad shops at Rutland, Vermont. Mr. and Mrs. Morrison have two daughters: Louise, who was born in 1916; and Catherine, born in February, 1922. The residence of the family is at 25 Brookline avenue, Albany.

The parents are members of the Calvary Methodist Episcopal Church and Mr. Morrison is allied with the republican party but has never aspired to political office. Inducted into the Masonic fraternity at Jersey Shore, he became a member of La

Belle Valley Lodge, No. 232, F. & A. M., of which he is a past master; and also belongs to Temple Commandery, No. 2, K. T.; Williamsport Consistory, A. A. S. R.; and Cyprus Temple and Grotto of Albany. Mrs. Morrison is affiliated with the Order of the Eastern Star and with the Daughters of the Nile. Mr. Morrison is also a member of the Kiwanis Club, Wolferts Roost Country Club and the Albany Chamber of Commerce. When the opportunity offers he indulges in the sports of hunting and fishing but never allows outside interests to interfere with his responsibilities as a business man, and his success is largely attributable to his devotion to duty and his even-paced energy, coupled with the ability to meet and master business situations.

WALTER L. COLLINS

Walter L. Collins, a prominent member of Albany's legal fraternity, was recently appointed county attorney and has acceptably filled other offices in the line of his profession. He was born in Bath, New York, June 29, 1891, and is a son of Martin H. and Catherine (Lindsay) Collins. The grandfather, Martin H. Collins, Sr., came to this country from Ireland prior to the Civil war and was one of the gallant defenders of the Union cause. In days of peace he followed the occupation of a blacksmith and owned several shops in Bath, New York, and near-by towns. He married Susan McMahon, who was also born on the Emerald isle, and both passed away in Bath. Their son, Martin H. Collins, Jr., was born in that town on the 28th of February, 1861, and has devoted his life to railroad service. He is connected with the Lehigh Valley Railroad in the capacity of superintendent of supplies and resides in Buffalo, New York. In religious faith he is a Roman Catholic and his political support is given to the democratic party. His wife was born in Bath, April 11, 1863, a daughter of John and Catherine Lindsay, who were natives of Ireland but for several years made their home in Montreal, Canada, where their demise occurred. As a young

man Mr. Lindsay was a member of the faculty of the University of Dublin and continued in the educational field after coming to the new world.

Reared in his native town, Walter L. Collins mastered the branches of learning taught in the Haverling Academy at Bath and was next a student in the Albany Law School, which numbers him among its alumni of 1914. Admitted to the bar in August, 1915, he located in Albany and joined Charles F. Murray in the practice of law, becoming junior member of the firm of Murray & Collins. Meanwhile he had gained military training as a member of the New York National Guard and in July, 1916, was sent to the Mexican border, where he remained until March, 1917, when he was mustered out. Following the declaration of war on the 6th of April, 1917, he reentered the service, performing guard duty at the Croton aqueduct until September, 1917, when he went to Spartanburg, South Carolina, with a troop of cavalry attached to the Twenty-seventh Division. While in training there he was injured by a horse and by reason of disability was honorably discharged in December, 1917. Resuming his legal work, he practiced alone in Albany until June, 1918, when he reenlisted, and was sent to Camp Zachary Taylor near Louisville, Kentucky, where he spent three months. He was commissioned a second lieutenant in the field artillery and ordered to camp Jackson in South Carolina, remaining there until after the close of the war. While engaged in active military duty he served in succession with the cavalry forces, the infantry, the machine gunners and the light field artillery and in January, 1919, he was mustered out with the rank of second lieutenant. Immediately thereafter Mr. Collins returned to Albany and here he has since practiced under his own name, bringing to bear keen discernment in the solution of intricate legal problems. He has also gained prestige in public affairs, becoming a municipal service commissioner in 1922 and first assistant corporation counsel of Albany in the following year. In 1923 he assumed the duties of judge of the recorder's court, over which he presided until March 25, 1931, when he resigned to accept the appointment of

county attorney. By reason of his experience and ability he is well qualified for the office and has efficiently and satisfactorily fulfilled every trust reposed in him, whether of a public or private nature.

Mr. Collins was married June 20, 1928, to Miss Marguerite M. Connors, a daughter of Timothy E. and Marguerite (Mulligan) Connors, of Fort Miller, New York, and a graduate of the Greenwich high school. Mr. and Mrs. Collins reside at 281 Hamilton street, Albany, and his office is located at 93 State street. Reared in the Catholic faith, both he and his wife are communicants of Immaculate Conception Cathedral and the latter is a member of the City Club and the Mothers Club. Mr. Collins belongs to the Albany Club, to Albany Council, No. 173, of the Knights of Columbus, and Albany Lodge, No. 49, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His college fraternity is Gamma Eta Gamma, while his political views are indicated in the fact that he is allied with the democratic party. An enthusiastic sportsman, Mr. Collins particularly enjoys hunting and fishing trips but his interest centers in his work, for which his best energies are reserved. His standards of life are high and the respect that is uniformly accorded him is well deserved.

JAMES H. GLAVIN, JR.

A lawyer by instinct as well as training, James H. Glavin, Jr., has risen rapidly in the profession and at the age of thirty years is capably filling the important office of assistant attorney general of New York state. He was born in Waterford, Saratoga county, this state, May 11, 1901, and is a son of James H. and May (Clifford) Glavin. The paternal grandparents, Patrick and Mary (McCarthy) Glavin, came to this country from Ireland and both passed away in Waterford, New York. Their son, James H. Glavin, Sr., was born in that town December 17, 1863, and there made his home until his death on the 21st of April, 1911, conducting business as a retail grocer. He was a

communicant of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church and an adherent of the democratic party. As state committeeman from Saratoga county he labored earnestly in behalf of the party and was called to the office of county supervisor, which he occupied for three terms, acting as chairman of the board for one term. His widow was born in Menands, New York, and now lives with her son James in Waterford. Mrs. Glavin's parents were Eugene and Catherine (Roach) Clifford, the former a native of Ireland and the latter of Troy, New York. Mr. Clifford engaged in the manufacture of brooms at Menands, where both he and his wife passed away.

Their grandson, James H. Glavin, Jr., was a pupil in the public schools of Waterford and in 1918 completed a course in St. Bernard's Academy at Cohoes. A year later he was graduated from the Albany Business College and then enrolled as a student in the Albany Law School, which conferred upon him the degree of LL. B. in 1922, when he was twenty-one years of age. Since his admission to the bar in May, 1924, he has successfully handled much important litigation and is regarded as a lawyer of marked ability. His Waterford office is at 59 Broad street and he also has an office in Albany, where he is associated with William W. Farley, the former state excise commissioner and former chairman of the Democratic State Committee. In 1931 Mr. Glavin was appointed assistant attorney general of the state and conscientiously and efficiently discharges his public duties, meeting every requirement of the position.

In Binghamton, Broome county, New York, on the 28th of June, 1930, Mr. Glavin was married to Miss Elizabeth Gibbons, a daughter of James T. and Elizabeth (O'Connell) Gibbons, also of Irish ancestry. The father became an electrician, spending many years with the Erie Railroad and with the Western Union Telegraph Company. He is survived by the mother, who still makes her home in Binghamton. Mrs. Glavin was graduated from the Central high school of Binghamton and from the New York State College for Teachers at Albany and prior to her marriage was an instructor in the high school at Binghamton. Both

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she and her husband are devout members of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Waterford and Mr. Glavin has attained the fourth degree in the Knights of Columbus. Like his father, he has a penchant for politics and represents Saratoga county on the state committee of the democratic party. In 1924 he was the nominee of his party for state senator from the district comprising Saratoga and Schenectady counties and in 1926 was a candidate for the office of district attorney of Saratoga county. He belongs to the Van Schaick Island Country Club of Cohoes, the Waterford Club, the Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity, the Saratoga County Bar Association, the Albany County Bar Association and the New York State Bar Association. His well developed powers and untiring energy have carried him into important professional relations and his career, much as it holds of accomplishment, is still rich in promise, for he is still young in years.

FRED A. WILLIAMS

With the printing trade of Albany, Fred A. Williams is prominently identified as one of the officers of C. F. Williams & Son, Inc., and is an influential factor in the conduct of a business that has been controlled by members of the family for more than fifty years. Born in this city May 8, 1885, he is a son of Charles Frank Williams and a descendant of Roger Williams, the founder of Rhode Island and apostle of religious toleration. Isaac A. Williams, the grandfather of Fred A. Williams, was born in Vermont, became well known as a contractor and builder, and passed away in Delmar, New York.

His son, Charles Frank Williams, was born in Brattleboro, Vermont, October 4, 1859, and there started to learn the trade of a printer, completing his apprenticeship in Albany. Here he embarked in business in 1879 under his own name, establishing a printing plant at 36 Beaver street, where he remained until 1890, when the building was destroyed by fire. He then removed to 9-11 Green street and occupied those quarters for nine-

teen years, at the end of which time he returned to his old location at 36 Beaver street, where the plant has since been maintained. Through judicious management, close attention to detail and efficient work the father fostered the growth of the business and remained at its head until his demise, which occurred at Delmar, May 30, 1914. He gave his political support to the republican party and was a consistent member of the Baptist Church. In young manhood he had married Miss F. Euetta A. Pangburn, a daughter of John H. and Anna (Gorham) Pangburn. The former was born in Albany and became a teamster. Mr. Pangburn had two brothers who were Union soldiers.

In 1912 he admitted his son, Fred A., to a partnership and the firm of C. F. Williams & Son then came into existence. The enterprise was conducted on a partnership basis until 1915, when a reorganization was effected, and the present form of C. F. Williams & Son, Inc., was then adopted. Of this corporation Mrs. Charles F. Williams was elected president and thus continued until her death on the 30th of March, 1930. Her son, Harold E. Williams, has since filled the office of president and the other son, Fred A. Williams, is the treasurer and general manager.

Fred A. Williams, attended the grammar and high schools of Albany and in 1899, when but fourteen years of age, began his apprenticeship in the Williams printing plant. Diligent and adaptable, he soon qualified for the position of compositor and continued to advance, at length becoming superintendent of the plant, and has practically grown up in the business, mastering it in principle and detail. To this knowledge he adds the executive force and initiative essential to achievement and his well directed labors have constituted a vital element in the development and success of the corporation. They have the latest and best facilities for general commercial printing, including color work, and the extent and importance of their clientele is indicative of the high reputation enjoyed by this old and well known printing house.

Mr. Williams was married July 24, 1906, in Ulster county, to Miss Isadora Moon, a native of Delaware county, New York,

and a daughter of George Egbert and Myra Moon, who were lifelong residents of Delaware county. Mrs. Williams was reared on the home farm and obtained her education in the public schools of Oneonta, New York. To Mr. and Mrs. Williams were born three children: Hazel A., who was graduated from the Albany Academy for Girls, the State College for Teachers and the New Paltz Normal School and is now an instructor in the public schools of Albany; Janet C., a pupil in one of the local schools; and Clinton Albert, who died at the age of eight and a half years. The residence of the family is at 903 Myrtle avenue.

A prominent clubman, Mr. Williams is secretary of the Wolferts Roost Country Club, in which capacity he has served for eight years, and a member of the Lions Club and the Aurania Club, while his wife belongs to the Mothers Club of Albany. During the summer months he plays golf when he has the leisure and in winter bowling affords him relaxation. In Masonry he has connection with Ancient City Lodge, No. 452, F. & A. M., and Capital City Chapter, No. 242, R. A. M., and formerly was identified with the Elks. His name likewise appears on the membership rolls of the Sons of the American Revolution and the Albany Chamber of Commerce. During the World war he was active in the Liberty Loan drives and at all times has conscientiously discharged the duties and responsibilities of citizenship. While a republican in politics, he is an independent voter who considers the qualifications of a candidate a matter of first importance, and his life is governed by the teachings of the First Reformed Church.

JAMES P. OWENS

With business interests of Albany, his native city, James P. Owens is prominently identified as an undertaker and embalmer—a line of activity to which he has devoted fourteen years—and possesses the qualities that insure progress and success. He was born March 27, 1890, and is a son of Patrick J. and Annie M.

(Phelan) Owens. The grandfather, James Owens, came to this country from Ireland and for many years was employed as a gardener in Albany, where he passed away. His son, Patrick J. Owens, was born on the Emerald isle on Christmas day of 1860 and has made his home in Albany for many years. He first entered the field of life insurance, later conducting business as a retail grocer, and is now living retired. He is a communicant of St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church and an adherent of the democratic party. His wife was born in Albany, October 15, 1855, and remained a resident of the city until her death on December 25, 1913, at the age of fifty-eight years.

James P. Owens pursued his education in St. Joseph's Academy and after his graduation started to work in his father's store, assisting him in the management of the grocery until December, 1916, when he opened an undertaking establishment at 9 Second street. Later he leased space in the adjoining building and now occupies the first floors of both structures, having ample room for his office and chapel. His equipment is thoroughly modern and the service which he renders as a funeral director is first class in every particular. He is a licensed embalmer and conducts the business under his own name.

Mr. Owens was married October 12, 1920, to Miss Sadie A. Burrell, a native of Albany and a graduate of the local high school. She is a daughter of Franklin and Mary (Corbett) Burrell, the latter still a resident of Albany. The father was associated with the Albany Evening Journal for several years and is now deceased. Mr. and Mrs. Owens have two children: James Joseph, who was born January 9, 1922; and Ann Marie, born January 23, 1927.

The family reside at 147 Colonie street and have membership in St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church. Mrs. Owens is identified with the Catholic Women's Service League and the Catholic Daughters of America. Fraternally Mr. Owens is connected with the Knights of Columbus and Albany Lodge, No. 149, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. In politics he is a democrat and from 1920 until 1926 was supervisor for the eighth

ward, securing for it several needed improvements during that period. For recreation he plays golf but has little time for pleasure, feeling that his large and growing business requires his constant attention. He is a member of the Albany Undertakers Association and the National Funeral Directors Association and his influence is one of steadily broadening activity and strength in the field in which he is operating.

JAMES D. TWEED

James D. Tweed is one of Newburgh's foremost citizens, having been for many years prominent in the business world as a capable and successful contractor, while his political record is also one of faithful and efficient performance of duty. He is a native of Newburgh, where he was born on the 1st of March, 1873, and is a son of James and Catherine (Dougherty) Tweed. The father was a native of County Antrim, Ireland, and a carpenter by trade, while the mother was born and reared in Orange county, New York. Of the children born to these parents, six are living, namely: James D., of this review; William, who lives in New York city; Samuel and Robert of Newburgh; Martha, the wife of William Conklin, of Newburgh; and Catherine, the wife of Ira Conklin, also of Newburgh.

James D. Tweed received his educational training in the public schools of Newburgh and on leaving school he learned the mason's trade, which line of work he followed for many years. Later he engaged in the contracting business, in which he has continued to the present time. He is an energetic and progressive man in his business methods, has done a large amount of important work in his line throughout this region, and has met with well earned success.

On May 1, 1899, Mr. Tweed was united in marriage to Miss Elizabeth McKneally, a native of Newburgh. In his political views Mr. Tweed has always supported the republican party and has been prominent and influential in its councils. He served as a member of the city council of Newburgh, as well as supervisor

and building inspector. Later he held the office of sheriff of Orange county one term and in 1928 was elected mayor of Newburgh, which office he still holds. As mayor he has given a strong, businesslike administration, conserving the public interests and doing much to promote the general welfare of the community. Mr. Tweed is a Knights Templar Mason, and belongs to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, the Knights of Pythias, the Eastern Star and the Veterans of Foreign Wars. He has been president of the Veteran Firemen, Inc., for several terms. He is a veteran of the Spanish-American war, in which he served with the First Regiment New York Volunteer Infantry. His religious membership is with the Protestant Episcopal Church, to which he gives generous support, as he does also to all worthy benevolent causes. He is intensely loyal to his city and county, throughout which he enjoys a wide acquaintance, and he is generally recognized as one of Newburgh's representative men.

SAMUEL J. SKEVINGTON, D. D.

Rev. Samuel J. Skevington, one of Albany's prominent clergymen, has been pastor of the Temple Baptist Church since 1928 and is widely known as an author and lecturer. He was born in Lille, the capital of the department of Nord, France, July 11, 1871, and is a grandson of the Rev. Samuel Skevington, also a minister of the gospel, who preached for sixty years in the Sherwood Wesleyan Methodist Church, situated just outside the city limits of Nottingham, England. His wife, Mary Skevington, was a native of Nottingham and died in Sherwood, England. The Rev. John Skevington, the eldest of their twelve children, went to New Zealand as a missionary, sailing from Bristol, England, on the ship Triton, September 11, 1839, and was living in Auckland at the time of his demise.

William Skevington, a brother of the Rev. John Skevington and the father of the Rev. Samuel J. Skevington, was born in Nottingham, September 17, 1820, and as a young man engaged

in business in Lille and Calais, France, as an independent manufacturer of lace. Subsequently he came to the United States as an expert in the manufacture of lace, closing out the business in France before sailing for New York. In that city he installed the machinery in the plant of Duden & Company, lace manufacturers, and remained with them as manager until his death on the 7th of July, 1894. He adhered to the Methodist faith and was a member of the liberal party. His wife, Marion Fowler (Dippee) Skevington, was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, September 14, 1840, and her demise occurred in New York city on the 7th of November, 1911. She was a daughter of John and Mary Ann Dippee, the former a native of Edinburgh and the latter of Glasgow, Scotland. The father, who was a master cabinet-maker, died in London, England, but his wife passed away in Lille, France.

Their grandson, Rev. Samuel J. Skevington, was graduated from the lay schools of Lille and Calais, France, and finished his education in America. He completed his course in theology in the Crozer Theological Seminary at Chester, Pennsylvania, in 1897 and was accorded the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity by Shurtleff College at Alton, Illinois, in 1918. Following his ordination in August, 1897, he was called to Clinton, New Jersey, where he engaged in pastoral work for three and a half years, afterward spending five years in Nyack, New York, and was next in charge of the Clinton Avenue Church in Newark, New Jersey, where he remained for six years. He then accepted a call from the Belden Avenue Church in Chicago—a connection that was maintained for nine years—and on the expiration of that period went to the Pacific coast to take charge of the First Baptist Church in Hollywood, California, which he served for seven years. Since March 1, 1928, he has been pastor of the Temple Baptist Church in Albany, a consolidation of the Calvary and Tabernacle churches. This combined church has a large membership and the congregation is contemplating the erection of a new church and an apartment building on the site of the old Calvary Church at the corner of State and High streets. During

the World war period Dr. Skevington served as a camp pastor, stationed at Camp Logan in Houston, Texas, and spoke at many other camps in this country. Imbued with firm faith and sound doctrine, he preaches the Word with power, having few superiors as an expounder of Gospel truth, and has been most efficient in directing church affairs. A gifted orator, he has appeared before many large audiences, lecturing upon Abraham Lincoln and Benjamin Franklin. He has traveled extensively in this and foreign lands, spending considerable time in the Orient, and has made many addresses on Oriental problems, being particularly well informed regarding conditions in China. He also excels as a writer and is the author of a volume called "The Distinctive Principle of the Baptists" and a booklet entitled "The Prince of Peace," while he has likewise been a frequent contributor to periodicals and to the press.

In New York city on the 29th of June, 1897, was solemnized the marriage of the Rev. Samuel J. Skevington and Miss Lucy Benjamin, who was born in that city and obtained her high school education in Mount Vernon, New York. Mrs. Skevington's father, Martin E. Benjamin, was a prosperous business man of New York city and is now deceased. Her mother, who bore the maiden name of Sarah M. Shepard, has also passed away. She was a daughter of John Shepard, who served in the War of 1812. Dr. and Mrs. Skevington have two daughters. Gladys Marion born in Clinton, New Jersey, was graduated from the Waller high school of Chicago and received the degree of Bachelor of Philosophy from Denison University at Granville, Ohio, supplementing this by a post-graduate course in the Baptist Divinity School at Berkeley, California. After a year's missionary work among the Italians in Los Angeles, California, she became her father's secretary, filling the position for a year, and subsequently was a missionary in Chengtu, Szechuan, a province in western China, for six years. The younger daughter, Florence Morrill, a native of Nyack, New York, attended the same high school in Chicago and after receiving the Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Redlands in California, and taking

the same post-graduate course in theology at the Berkeley Baptist Divinity School, engaged in missionary work among the Mexicans in Los Angeles for a year, going with her sister to China at the end of that time. Owing to the revolution they were compelled to leave that country in 1927 and spent a year in Japan, teaching in Yokohama and Sendai for a year before returning to Chengtu. While in the Orient they had many interesting and thrilling experiences and both are now engaged in educational work in this country.

Dr. Skevington is a republican but votes independently at local elections, supporting the candidates whom he considers best fitted for office. Fraternally he is a Mason, identified with Cuhuenga Lodge, No. 513, F. & A. M., of which he is a past master; Hollywood Chapter, No. 120, R. A. M.; and Hollywood Council, No. 33, R. & S. M. Formerly he was first vice president of the General Board of Missionary Cooperation of the Northern Baptist Convention, served as state chairman for both Illinois and California, was president of the Los Angeles Union Ministers Conference and president of the Newark, Chicago and Los Angeles Baptist Ministers Conferences. He is now a member of the Union Ministers Association of Albany and the Hudson River Baptist Ministers Conference. By precept and example Dr. Skevington has furthered the work of spiritual uplift and advancement and is a scholarly gentleman whose powers and talents have been a leavening force in making high ideals a tangible asset in the affairs of daily life.

JOHN HERBERT MILLER

While his connection with the Albany bar covers but a few years, John Herbert Miller is an attorney of wide experience and recognized ability, well equipped to deal with the intricacies of the law, and has also won prominence in other connections. Born in Louisville, St. Lawrence county, New York, July 7, 1869, he is of English lineage and traces his ancestry in America to Rich-

ard Miller, who sailed for the new world in 1637, casting his lot with the colonial settlers of Massachusetts. In direct line from his great-grandfather, Ephraim Miller, who was a soldier in the revolution in Captain Timothy Bigelow's company of minutemen who marched to Concord on the Lexington Alarm, April 19, 1775, and who was in Captain Hubbard's company, Colonel Jonathan Ward's regiment under Washington at the siege of Boston, the subject of this sketch is entitled to membership in the Sons of the Revolution.

Rev. Levi Miller, son of Ephraim Miller and the grandfather of John Herbert Miller, was born in Worcester, Massachusetts, June 6, 1780, and became a Methodist minister. His property holdings were extensive and for a number of years he was agent for John MacVicar who owned large tracts of land in St. Lawrence county, receiving as compensation for the sale of those lands one-fourth of the proceeds thereof. Rev. Mr. Miller was married to Polly Doud, a native of the state of Connecticut, and both passed away in Louisville, New York, the latter at the venerable age of eighty-seven years, after raising a large family of eight sons and three daughters, all of whom have passed on to their last sleep. James Miller, son of Levi Miller and father of John Herbert Miller, was born in Louisville, this state, January 16th, 1830, and in early and middle life owned and operated a farm and sawmill there. He was also associated with his brother, William Miller, in the ownership of a general store at Louisville and was collector of customs at the port of Louisville for a number of years and later removed to Massena, New York, where he engaged in general merchandising with his son-in-law, Frank E. Bailey, for a number of years. An energetic, far-sighted business man, he prospered in all of his undertakings and remained a resident of Massena until his death in February, 1922, at the advanced age of ninety-two years. While living there, he was elected a justice of the peace on the republican ticket, having previously occupied that office in Louisville for twenty years. He had been town clerk of Louisville at various times and represented that town twice as supervisor, and his

public duties were discharged with a thoroughness and ability that marked the conduct of his private business interests. Of a deeply religious nature, he served on the board of trustees of the Methodist Church and for many years was superintendent of its Sunday school. In young manhood he married Samantha A. Thomas, a daughter of Henry B. and Anna (Carpenter) Thomas, the latter a lifelong resident of Louisville, New York. Mr. Thomas was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and while serving under Captain Lawrence, February 24, 1813, on the American ship *Hornet*, while engaged with the British ship, *Peacock*, he was wounded by an ounce bullet, which he carried in his back until he passed away in Louisville at the ripe age of ninety-six years. His daughter, Mrs. Miller, was born in Louisville, April 24, 1830, and her death occurred at Massena, April 12th, 1911, at the age of eighty-one years. There were three sons and three daughters born of their marriage.

Their son, John Herbert Miller, was a pupil in the district school of Louisville and a graduate of the Potsdam State Normal School in the classical course. From May, 1892, until September, 1893, he read law, while employed in the Potsdam office of Judge John A. Vance and in 1894 won the degree of LL. B. from the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, where he completed a two years' course in one year. In June, 1894, he was admitted to the Michigan bar and in January, 1896, qualified for practice in the state of New York, having taught school for a year in Chenango county, in the interim. In 1896 he opened an office in Marathon, New York, where he practiced alone until January, 1918, but in 1916 had become the third member of the firm of Sears, Spicer & Miller, Syracuse attorneys with offices in the S. A. & K. Building, and maintained that connection for two years. From January, 1918, until June, 1923, he engaged in educational work as principal of the schools of Milford and Canton, New York, and during the ensuing year was associated with the Jamaica branch of the Title Guarantee & Trust Company of New York city. In September, 1924, he returned to Canton, St. Lawrence county, as an investigator of land titles, remaining

there for nearly a year, and from June 16, 1925, to October 16, 1929, was title examiner in the office of the attorney general at Albany. Mr. Miller has since engaged in private practice at 1 Columbia place, Albany, New York, and is accorded a liberal clientele. In the preparation of his cases he is thorough and painstaking and his arguments are presented with clearness, logic and force. A portion of his time is reserved for the duties of manager of the Capitol District Abstract Corporation, to which he renders the services of an expert, and his name appears on the list of stockholders of that corporation as well as of the Albany Mutual Agency, Inc.

Mr. Miller was married June 2, 1897, to Miss Jessie A. Arnold, who was a daughter of William and Melissa (Nichols) Arnold of McDonough, New York, both now deceased. Mrs. Miller passed away in Canton, April 26, 1923, leaving two children. The daughter, Ruth Virginia, born January 16th, 1902, received her Bachelor of Music degree in 1923 from Syracuse University. She is the wife of George Heit who is engaged in general building and contracting business in Croton-on-Hudson, New York, and they have one child, George Edward Heit. The son, Herbert Arnold Miller, born May 5, 1904, received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Syracuse University and is now associated with Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company at Cincinnati. He married Miss Kathryn Moyer, of Sharon, Pennsylvania, October 21, 1930, and they make their home in Cheviot, Ohio. For his second wife, Mr. Miller chose Miss Mary E. Budd, whose parents, John S. and Rosalind Budd, of South Schodack, New York, long among the leading families of Rensselaer county, are now deceased.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller reside at 230 Euclid avenue, Albany. He belongs to the University of Michigan Club and is unbiased in his political views, placing the qualifications of a candidate before party ties. While living in Marathon he was elected a justice of the peace, occupying the office for a period of four years. For several years he was chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church at Marathon and is now,

with Mrs. Miller, a member of Westminster Presbyterian Church of Albany. His varied activities have brought him a wide acquaintance and his innate courtesy, his breadth of mind and genuine worth, have established him high in public esteem.

C. GILBERT CALYER

Concentrating his attention upon the work of an undertaker and embalmer, C. Gilbert Calyer has become well known in that connection in Newburgh, where he has successfully engaged in business for more than a quarter of a century. He was born on the homestead near this city on the 11th of August, 1878, and is of Holland Dutch ancestry. His great-great-grandfather, Peter Calyer, was born in 1740 and served under General Washington in the Revolutionary war. His son, Charles Calyer, born in 1761, became the father of Charles Calyer, Jr., who was born in Orange county, September 24, 1802. Gilbert T. Calyer, a son of Charles Calyer, Jr., was born on the home farm near Newburgh and in young manhood married Katherine S. Tompkins, who was born August 28, 1851. She was a daughter of Thomas W. and Phoebe Tompkins, the former born September 11, 1813, and the latter on November 7, 1813. The demise of Gilbert T. Calyer occurred September 25, 1918, and his wife passed away on the 12th of January of the same year. Their family numbered seven children, five of whom survive: Edward L., who lives on the home place; C. Gilbert; Mary, the wife of Isaac D. Collins, of Newburgh; James, who resides in Yonkers, New York; and Henry, of Newburgh.

The educational advantages enjoyed by C. Gilbert Calyer were afforded by the public schools and the old academy in Newburgh. For a time he worked as a clerk in local stores and then took a course in the New York College of Embalming. After his graduation he spent three years in an undertaking establishment of Jersey City and in 1905 returned to Newburgh, forming a connection with a Mr. Terwilliger. Three years later, in

association with Chester Gregory, Mr. Calyer took over the Terwilliger funeral home, which they conducted for two years, or until the death of Mr. Gregory. In 1910 Mr. Murtfeldt purchased an interest in the business, at which time the style of Murtfeldt & Calyer was adopted, and this name is still retained, although the senior partner has passed away. Mr. Calyer and his son are now the proprietors of the establishment, which is located at 110 Grand street and is thoroughly modern in all of its appointments. The funeral direction afforded by the firm is smooth, complete and efficient and the extent of the business is indicative of the prestige enjoyed by the house.

On the 12th of October, 1904, Mr. Calyer was married to Miss Anna M. Snyder and they have one son, Andrew, who is associated with his father in business and is also serving as coroner. He married Anna M. Moore and they are the parents of two children, Ruth May and William Snyder.

C. Gilbert Calyer is an elder of the Presbyterian Church and votes with the republican party. He is serving on the board of directors of the Young Men's Christian Association of Newburgh and his fraternal affiliations are with Hudson Lodge, No. 607, F. & A. M., Newburgh Lodge, No. 16, I. O. O. F., and the Royal Arcanum. He belongs to the City and Rotary Clubs and also to the National Association of Selected Morticians. His prosperity is the direct outcome and legitimate reward of an upright, well spent life and in community affairs, as well as in business, he manifests a progressive spirit.

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